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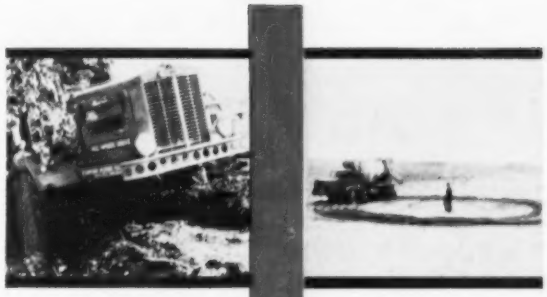

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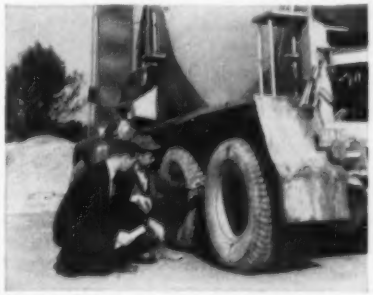

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Reader Comment

Standard Plans Have a Place

SIR—The editorial ENR Dec. 22, 1955, p. 68 is important enough to develop more mature thought on the subject of standard plans, perhaps in the form of an article.

The time factor to produce new plans in emergency periods should not be overlooked. Fitting of standard plans to the site is relatively simple and inexpensive and economizes in engineer effort which is in short supply. The myriad of details above ground level need not be repeated when good standard plans are utilized.

Standard plans, like handbooks, when not utilized by professionals result in grave errors, extra cost and sure failure. Standard plans are no substitute for brains.

COL. R. C. BROWN
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No Failures Due to Drafting

SIR—The editorial, "Faulty Drafting Practices," (ENR Dec. 1, 1955, p. 96) raises the question as to how many unexplained failures or reinforced concrete construction are traceable to the American Concrete Institute's "Manual of Standard Practice for Detailing Reinforced Concrete Structures." The answer is emphatically, "None!"

To one who in his daily work sees the plans and specifications of a great number of reinforced concrete structures (probably the bulk of the major structures this side of the Mississippi River at least), the improvement in drafting practice is very evident. The manual, as it clearly states, simplifies and standardizes methods of delineation, emphasizes the importance of the designer making clear his exact wishes, and, by its own statement, is not a design guide at all.

It is true that reinforcing steel has been shown in many fashions—single full lines, parallel double lines, heavy dashes, short dots. A careful examination of plans from all over the country (and a good deal of study was given to the matter) resulted in the practice recommended in the manual. A fairly thorough polling of those in the industry indicates that the recommendation has proved eminently satisfactory.

There have been failures of reinforced concrete structures—too many for those of us who labor in this field. I doubt, however, if there are very many where "investigators . . . could not ascertain the causes of the defects." In general, there seem to have been two types of failure: one where the designer did not make thoroughly clear his exact wishes, and the other where there were evident difficulties about the lapping, splicing, cutting, or bending of the reinforcing bars. In neither case would a different method of delineation have solved the difficulties.

When failures occur, everyone would appreciate a good clear-cut and immediate answer for guidance in the future, but casting doubts on the methods advocated in the manual is not going to help that situation at all. I do not know of any cases where drawings prepared according to the manual are "difficult to read," because that is contrary to all the text. If your editorial was based on speculation about possibilities, it may have done considerable disservice to the cause of uniform drafting procedures, while if it was based on definite factual information, that should be presented for guidance to the American Concrete Institute's Committee 315, which has its manual under constant study and review.

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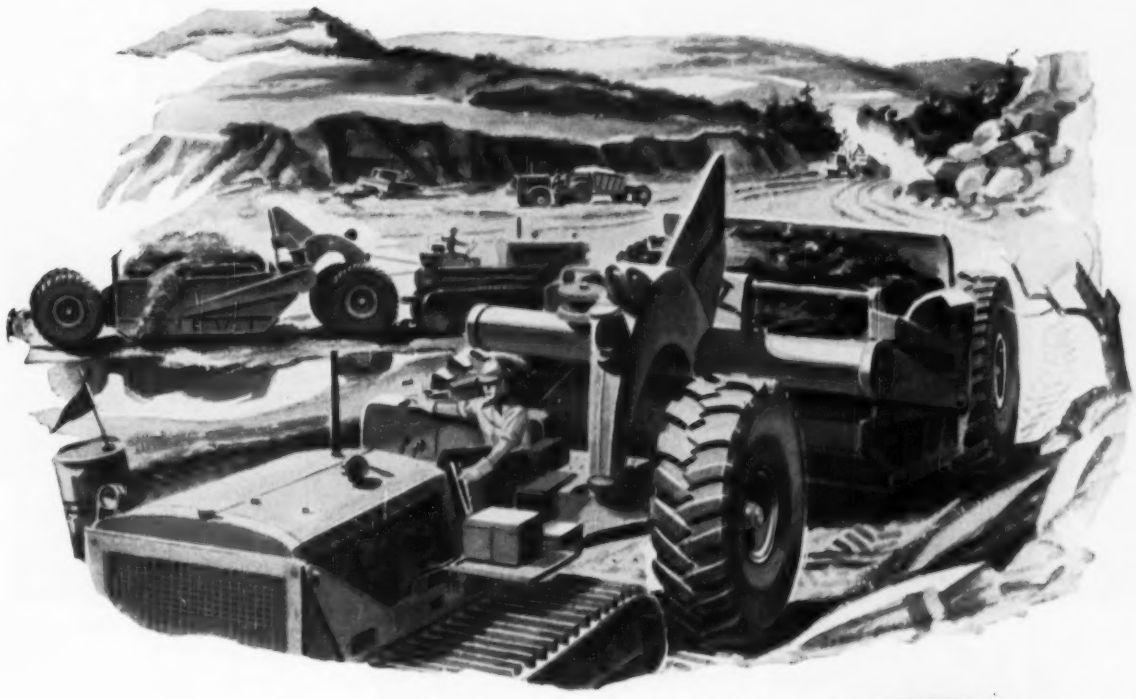

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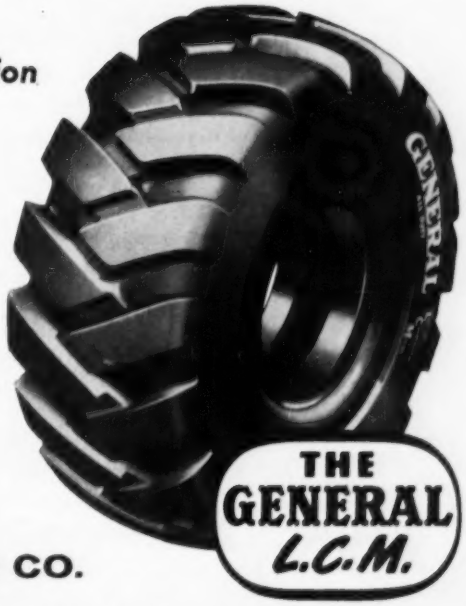

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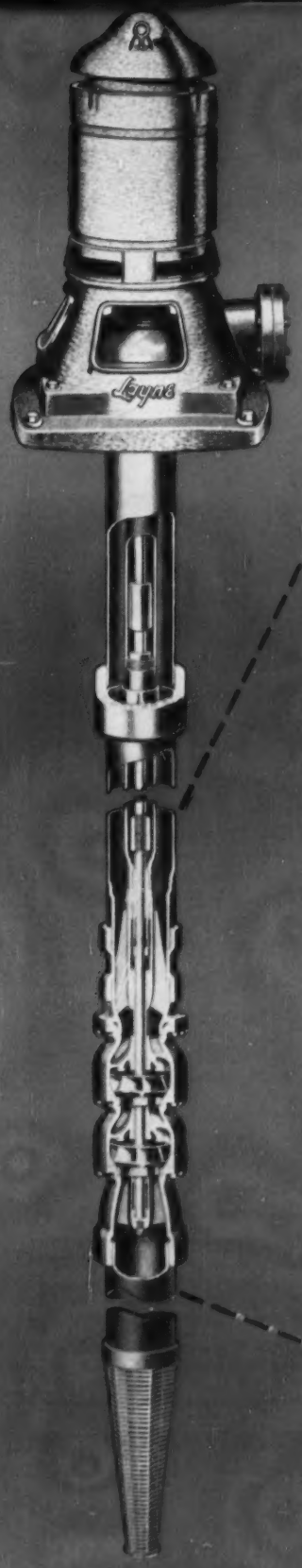

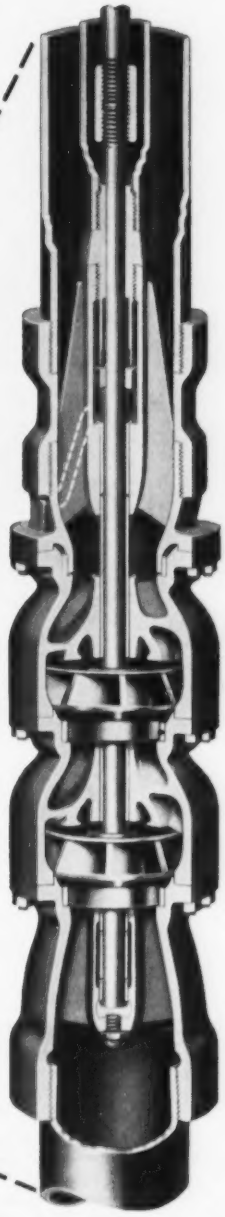

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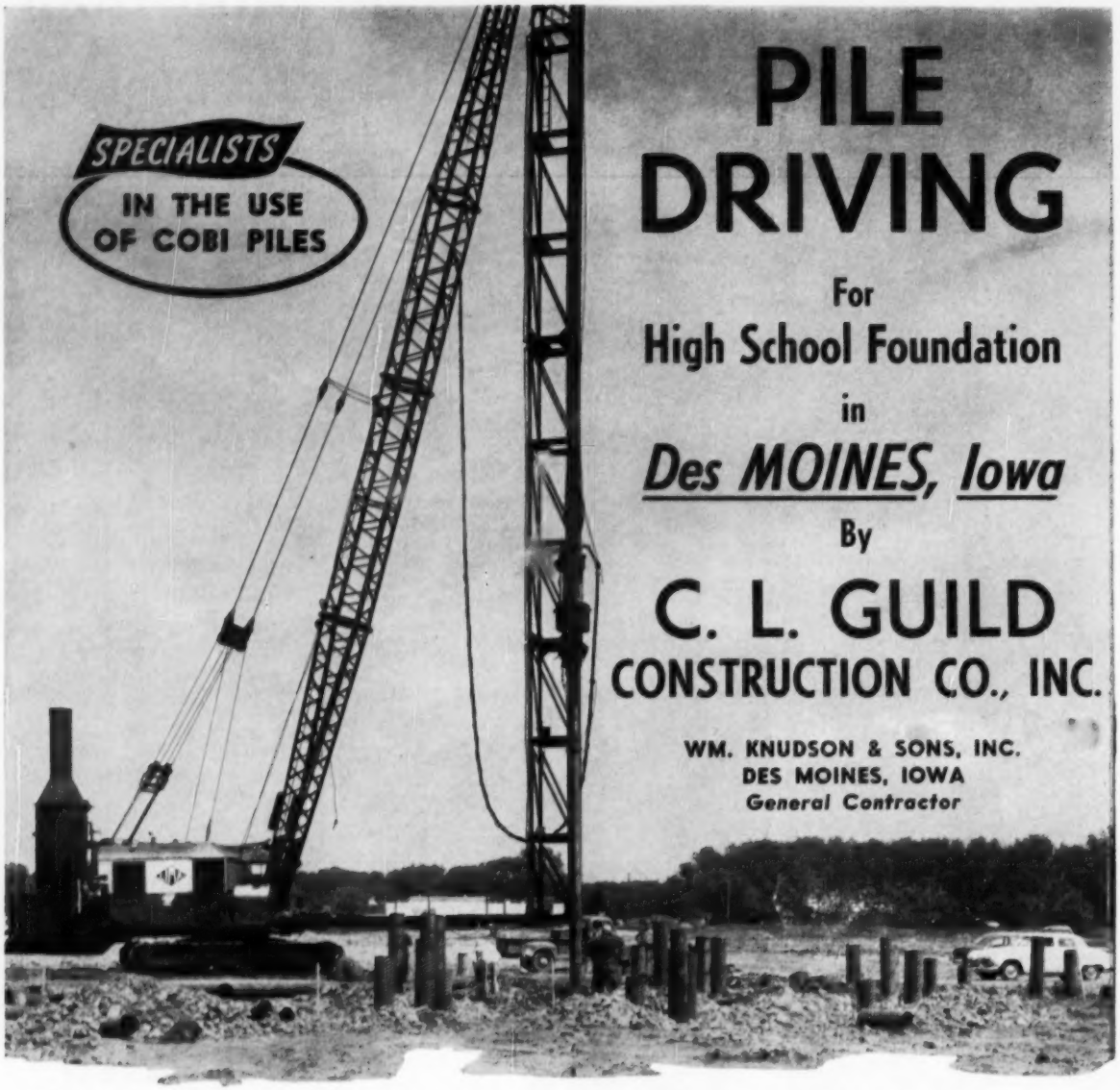

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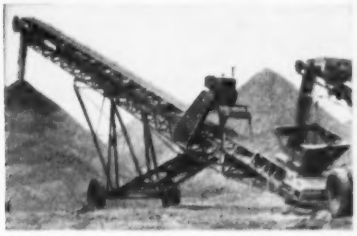

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THE CONSTRUCTION WEEK

UPPER COLORADO SPENDING—For the fiscal year beginning July 1 Congress is expected to vote $8 million to initiate construction planning on the $760-million Upper Colorado Project (ENR March 8, p. 21). About a $15-million appropriation will be made for the following fiscal year, then $60 million or $70 million for the third and fourth years and a level of about $40 million for the following 10 or 12 years. Contract awards, however, are expected to reach about $200 million in the first three years.

Construction will start with the $420-million Glen Canyon Dam, probably early in '57. Work on Flaming Gorge Dam is expected to start about 18 months thereafter. Participating irrigation units, including the $230-million Central Utah development, will probably get off to a modest start during the coming year.

BRAKE ON TOLL ROAD PLANS—Michigan and Indiana have decided to shelve proposed new toll road ventures until Congress acts on pending federal highway legislation.

The Michigan legislature has killed a bill that would have empowered the state's turnpike commission to survey any route as a toll road possibility. And, legislators indicate they will hold up on authorizing a $300-million bond issue to finance a proposed turnpike from the Ohio line to the Straits of Mackinac.

Although a feasibility survey of Indiana's proposed north-south turnpike from Lake Michigan to a point near Indianapolis will continue through the summer, no other steps will be taken to advance the project until Congress acts.

INDUSTRIAL BUILDING BOOMS—Contracts for industrial building for the first 11 weeks of this year total $1,080 million—149% over the same period in '55 and a peacetime record. This week's $276 million in awards is the highest weekly total since 1953.

RIGHT-OF-WAY FUND—The North Carolina Highway Commission is considering a proposal that the state maintain a revolving fund to buy rights-of-way in advance of construction. It would be similar to a procedure used by California.

Apparently Florida is in need of some such means of curbing right-of-way speculation. Land that the turnpike commission had been getting for $200 an acre has doubled in price. Toughest situation, though, is in north Dade County, where up to $10,000 an acre has had to be paid because of the route cutting across several tracts which homebuilders had already started to develop.

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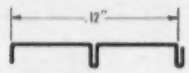

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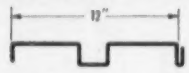

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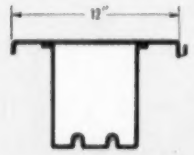

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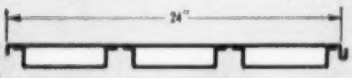

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WASHINGTON OBSERVER

The big controversial issues in the highway program are up for consideration this week by the roads subcommittee of the House Public Works Committee, headed by Rep. George H. Fallon (D.-Md.)

The first vote puts Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements into the spending for a 40,000-mi, interstate network which calls for about $27-billion worth of spending.

The subcommittee was sharply divided and it's possible that the full committee may change this vote—in favor, say, of leaving minimum wages to state laws, as is now the case on federal-aid highway work.

AFL-CIO spokesmen claim they want Davis-Bacon only on the interstate program but actually they are backing other legislation in Congress which would give the federal government authority to set prevailing wages on all construction where federal grants are involved (see p. 129).

Other issues which will split House members sharply are these: Reimbursement of states for toll roads on the interstate system that meet the federal standards; size and weight limitations for trucks and buses; paying utilities for some of the cost of relocating lines on the right-of-way; barring service stations and the like from direct access; and the formula for apportioning federal interstate funds among the states.

The committee's decision on these can be crucial. Strategy now calls for permitting no amendments on the House floor. Thus members will have to vote up or down the package the committee approves, with no chance to write in amendments.

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Construction contractors will get their first chance at lease-purchase projects this month. Three jobs, ranging from $1.5-million to $2-million, are about ready for bid announcements within a couple weeks. They are to be located at Council Bluffs, Iowa; Rock Island, Ill., and Green Bay, Wis.

Separate bids will be asked for construction and for financing, along with combination bids covering both. The Public Buildings Service will select whichever offers the lowest net cost to the government.

Decision to take separate bids was reached only a couple weeks ago. PBS had planned to ask only one-package builder-investor bids, as the Post Office Department plans to do on its own lease-purchase building projects.

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The Corps of Engineers is having a tough time hiring enough engineers to fill vacancies in its ranks. It employs more professional engineers than any of the other federal government agencies. More than 8,000 of the 57,000 employes in the Corps are engineers.

The big problem is pay, Maj. Gen. E. C. Itschner told the Senate Appropriations Committee: Under Civil Service, the Corps can offer $284 to $362 per month to graduates who are able to make upwards of $400 from private industry.

Itschner proposed two remedies—Restoration of the "professional" grades abolished by Congress in 1949 as a special Civil Service classification; and increasing from six to 30 the number of engineers the Corps can put in the $12,900-$14,800 per year top grades. Restoration of the "P" (professional) grades would boost morale, Itschner suggests; now engineers carry the same classifications as clerical and administrative job holders.

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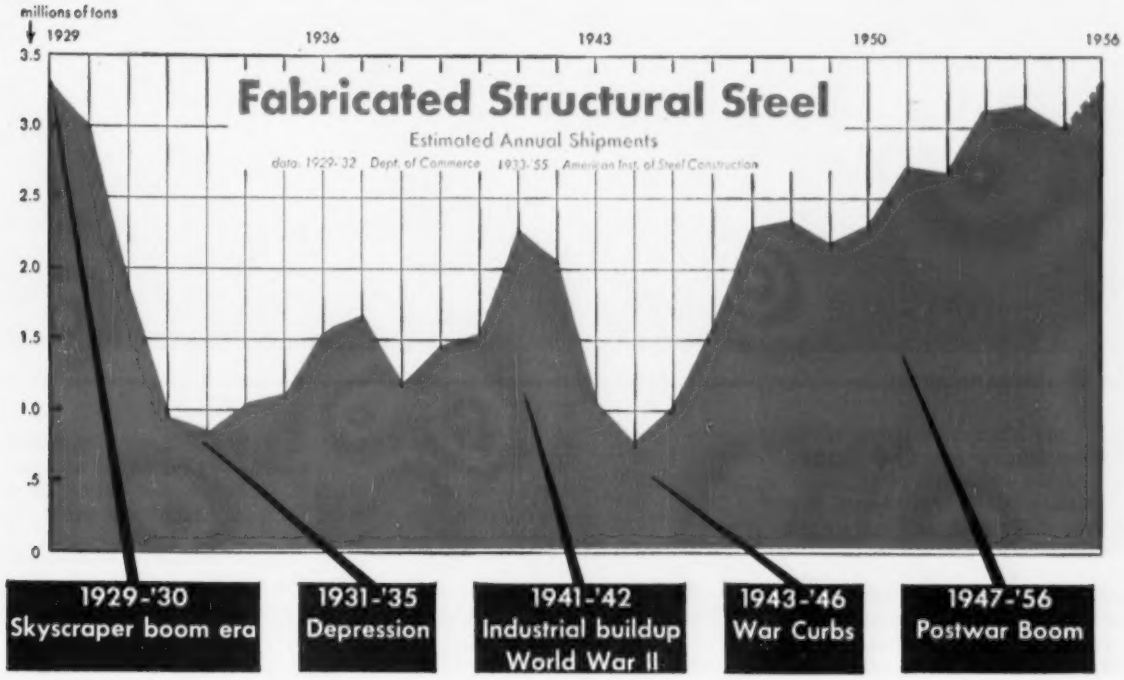

Although shipments are due to climb . . .

Record Demand Will Prolong Shortage

An ENR Staff Report

The year-old shortage of heavy structural steel shapes, which ranks as one of the most serious in the last 25 years, probably will not end until some time in 1957.

Optimistic reports during the fourth quarter of 1955 led many engineers and contractors to hope for an end of the shortage by late autumn of 1956. Those hopes have been dashed by a new surge of demand and the possibility of a steel strike in July.

Bookings and shipments of fabricated structural steel, compiled by the American Institute of Steel Construction, show the growing disparity between what the construction industry needs to sustain the biggest boom in history and what it is getting.

AISC, whose members account for 80% of the steel fabricating capacity in the nation, reported that this year's January bookings for fabricated structural steel, the latest figures available, set an all-time record for any month. The new orders received by the fabricators totaled 405,263 tons, 68% above January 1955, and 10% above the previous high set in July 1955.

Meanwhile, shipments are dragging along at a rate of 250,155 tons a month, only 11% above the comparable 1955 figure—and 15% below the best rate in recent years, the 293,532 tons shipped in April 1954. For year-by-year shipments as compiled by AISC, see chart above.

Because orders for fabricated structural steel are coming in 50% faster than tonnage is moving out of the fabricators' shops, backlog has soared to 2,407,609 tons. This is equivalent to nearly 10 months' production at the January rate.

The mills are scheduling about half the backlog (1,176,259 tons) for fabrication by May. But, to use this steel, fabricator output would have to average 294,000 tons per month. That rate has been achieved only once —for one month—in recent years.

These facts indicate strongly that the steel shortage will get worse before it gets better. And, it is bad now.

In parts of Georgia, for example, foundations for new buildings lie deserted, with no building trades workers in sight. The jobs have been halted. Contractors cannot get heavy structural shapes they need.

Near Washington, D. C., the Maryland State Roads Commission is building—with federal aid—a series of seven bridges to carry U. S. 1 over low terrain in the vicinity of the Anacostia River. One of the seven bridges already has been redesigned as a concrete structure because state highway officials cannot get the needed shapes in time to meet completion schedules.

In downtown Denver, Colo., construction of two highway bridges over the Platte River has been delayed six months. The reason is that after getting the substructures above water last fall, the contractor had to suspend work until this spring because he could not get delivery of heavy structural shapes until then.

These are not isolated incidents. With only slight variations, they are repeated daily in nearly every section of the nation. They are local situations that fit into a national pattern.

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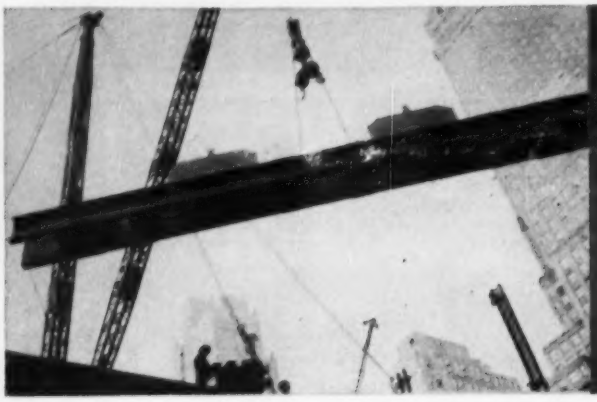
The Structural Steel Picture: *Shortages Are Serious*



- Deliveries run up to a year, or more.
- Buildings and bridges are being delayed.
- Some projects are being redesigned to use other materials.

Fabricators on the Spot

While producers in times of shortage are under pressure from so-called "mill customers", i.e., those who buy directly from the mills rather than from fabricators or warehouses, they are not on the spot with as many customers as are the fabricators. But the fabricators have a good record in the current shortage. They have tried hard, and at considerable cost, to anticipate and meet the demands of an incredibly fast-growing market.

Many are putting the finishing touches on expansion programs launched five years ago. A few are starting new expansions now even though most have excess capacity today. They aren't working at capacity because they cannot get the steel from the mills. This is true, strangely enough, of the captive fabricators as well as the independents.

Bethlehem Steel Co. and U. S. Steel are not only the biggest producers of structural steel but also the biggest fabricators. Yet Bethlehem does not give its fabricating division any priority in getting the needed blooms from the mill, nor does American Bridge Division of U. S. Steel get preferential treatment from that company.

One reason for this, of course, is that both Bethlehem and U. S. Steel are wary of doing anything that would give them a larger share of the fabricating market. Conscious of the Eisenhower Administration's vigorous anti-trust policies and embroiled in an anti-trust action—brought by an independent West Coast fabricator—they have carefully refrained from increasing the capacity of their units.

The independent fabricators, on the other hand, have been quick to add new plant and equipment. Probably one out of every five in the Chicago region had added to his manufacturing area by building plant additions or by converting former storage areas into fabricating facilities. Throughout the nation, fabricators either have just completed ambitious expansion programs or are revamping present facilities to increase efficiency and output.

Because of local conditions and widely varying demands for fabricated structural steel, the size of the fabricators' expansion programs runs a large gamut. In some sections, the increase in capacity has been a moderate 15% in the past five years. In another area, a large operator has doubled his capacity in the same period. Generally, the new capacity is about 40% to 50% above 1950-51 levels.

Unfortunately, the fabricators are not able to use all of this new capacity. Almost without exception, they could handle 20% or 30% more work than they do—if they could get steel from the mills.

The fabricators now are playing a major role in helping to get the steel to the construction jobs and they could do even more had they the opportunity. Others are helping, too.

Engineers Change Design

Architects and engineers are meeting the shortage in two ways. They are ordering steel well in advance of normal time in order to minimize delays at the job site. And, they are redesigning structures to use other materials.

Are engineers generally designing away from steel? The answer is a qualified yes. It is no secret that in some areas, Georgia for example, projects originally designed for steel have been switched to reinforced concrete. This has affected not only private work but public projects as well, such as state highway bridges.

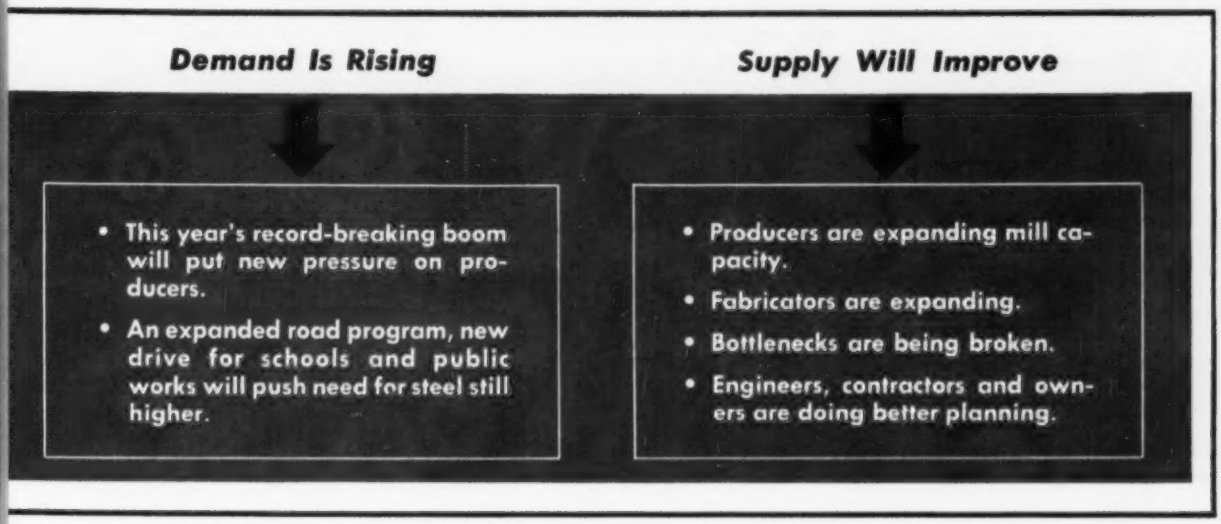
A Connecticut high school, designed for steel, is being reconsidered now with a strong possibility that it will be built as a reinforced concrete structure. A large shopping center planned for Baltimore is undergoing design changes, and probably will use prestressed concrete instead of structural steel. And on the West Coast, a $21-million building complex for an aircraft manufacturer, originally planned as a steel job, now appears destined to be concrete.

Even though additional examples could be cited, it would be inaccurate to assume that the majority of architects and engineers are "designing away from steel." It would be more in line to say that under pressure of construction schedules — or owners' timetables — architects and engineers work with either the materials they have or can get within a reasonable time. If they are up against a tight schedule and cannot get steel in less than a year (which is true in some areas), they naturally turn to concrete.

In other cases, of course, designers can encourage long-range planning on the owners' part and bring the job to contract stage when steel will be available. This is more feasible on private projects than on public work.

But on public projects, some state highway departments and other construction agencies order steel long before bids are taken. They then resell the steel to the contractor who gets the award.

Contractors cannot do as much as others to straighten out the steel problem because the very nature of their operations limits activity to careful pur-


Demand Is Rising
Supply Will Improve
• This year's record-breaking boom will put new pressure on producers.
• An expanded road program, new drive for schools and public works will push need for steel still higher.
• Producers are expanding mill capacity.
• Fabricators are expanding.
• Bottlenecks are being broken.
• Engineers, contractors and owners are doing better planning.

chasing techniques or some reshuffling of the subcontractors' schedules to "work around" the missing steel.

If the quantity of steel needed on a job is relatively small, the contractor sometimes can get what he requires by canvassing warehouses and fabricators in his area.

"Shopping around" is not a major factor, however. It is merely one way in which a tight market is forced to be efficient in distribution. It points up, in that respect, a noteworthy fact about the current situation. Despite demand far outrunning supply, there have been no reports of a black market—or even a gray market. This contrasts with the early Korean War period when a gray market in steel was widespread. Strict allocation by the mills is credited with maintaining the morality of the market. The mills generally have been expert at allocating the steel that is provided to the construction market. But they do not have as good a record when it comes to giving the construction industry more steel to divide.

Famine Amidst Plenty

With fabricators, contractors and engineers working overtime to get steel where and when it's needed, only one group seems to be dragging its heels. With only one or two exceptions, the producers are the laggards.

To understand some of the underlying reasons for the seriousness of the supply situation, it is necessary to consider what steel producers are doing—and what they are not doing—about the structural steel shortage.

First of all, producers are vastly expanding basic steel capacity. Since the end of World War II, the capacity of the U. S. steel industry has been increased 40%. In 1946, basic steel capacity was 91,900,000 net ingot tons. This year it is 128,400,000 net ingot tons—and is still growing.

Some construction men deny any relationship between basic steel capacity and structural capacity. As a result, they say, the basic capacity figures are meaningless. However, producers and fabricators disagree with them. They argue that when the mills reach the semi-finishing stage, they have a choice of sending ingots to three types of mills: blooming mills, billet mills or slabbing units. Blooms are processed into heavy structural steel shapes, i.e. members which have one dimension of 3 in. or longer. Billets are used to make bars and rod, and slabs are used for sheet steel.

Between now and 1959, the steel producers expect to add another 15,000,000 tons of basic capacity. This is the mill theory of "more pie to divide" and is a substantial basis for the producers' belief that construction—and other major steel customers—will get all the steel they need in the next few years.

Conceding the validity of this argument, it still has its limitations. Construction can get more steel only from producers that turn out structurals. The American Iron & Steel Institute lists some 13 producers of heavy structural shapes. From a standpoint of tonnage, only six are important to construction: U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, Inland, National, Jones & Laughlin, and Kaiser. Breaking it down further, two producers—Bethlehem and U. S. Steel—account for about 80% of all heavy structural shapes produced in this country. Construction, then, looks to Bethlehem and U. S. Steel for any relief from the shortage. This underscores their expansion plans.

One of the few encouraging notes in the present situation is that Bethlehem is adding structural capacity. Within a few months, this producer will complete a 50% expansion of its Saucon Division, which produces wide-flange structural shapes. Monthly capacity of this division will jump from 140,000 tons to 210,000 tons, giving Bethlehem an annual capacity of 2,520,000 tons of wide-flange structurals.

Moreover, last week Bethlehem also took a big step that will offer indirect aid that might be substantial in the future. The company awarded an engineering and construction management contract to the Koppers Co. for a major portion of the producer's $200-million expansion program at Sparrows Point, Md. This expansion will add 2,000,000 tons of capacity a year to the mill, giving it an annual rating of 8,200,000 tons. With more ingots available, Bethlehem should be able to step up production of structurals.

This is significant also because one-eighth of Bethlehem's total steel capacity is devoted to heavy structural shapes.

The other major factor in the field is U. S. Steel. As the nation's largest producer of basic steel (rated capacity of 39,215,000 tons as of Jan. 1), and as one of the two biggest producers of structurals, the corporation could play a big part in determining how much structural steel the construction industry will get—and when. But U. S. Steel has not yet disclosed any plans to increase structural capacity.

The construction industry is also concerned with a basic question: Is construction getting its fair share of the basic steel available? There is good reason to believe it is not. AISI figures show that construction's share of the steel "pie" is getting smaller despite

the fact that demand is at a record level.

Producers, prodded with this criticism, cite some of their problems. One of the worst, according to the mills, is attempting to anticipate demand. All producers engage heavily in market research, consult frequently with major customers, watch a host of economic indexes to form an educated guess on how much steel they can expect to sell—and to whom.

At one of the larger steel companies, nearly a score of product managers assemble yearly to try to answer this question. For some of the product managers, the anwer is reasonably easy to determine. This is true primarily of industries in which the growth pattern is stable and where there are relatively few manufacturers involved so that their needs can be worked out as much as a year in advance—at least on an informal basis.

But, the steelmakers say they haven't found any real gage to measure demand for steel by the construction industry. As an example they cite 1955 when many forecasters underrated the size of the construction boom by a substantial margin.

The mills can spot big jobs coming up with some degree of accuracy and plan for them. District sales managers in some companies furnish the home office with weekly reports on large office buildings, major industrial plants or other large structures that are proposed or are in the early design stages.

In order to handle these thousands of reports on specific projects (with estimated tonnage indicated on each report), there must be a cut-off. One firm, for example, generally doesn't get a report on a job through a district manager's advance sheet unless the project calls for 1,000 tons or more. Estimates at the home office could fall short of actual needs easily if there was a run of smaller jobs.

Anxious to tell their side of the story, the mills complain that their troubles do not end with allocation of a certain percentage of the basic steel to structurals. They explain that even after they have scheduled what they think is a fair share of basic steel to become blooms—and thence structurals—they have a further problem of division because not all structural steel goes to the construction industry.

Three other major customers for structural are railroads, shipbuilders and warehouses. The bulk of structural steel shipped to warehouses probably goes to construction, but no one has figures on the actual percentage. But shipbuilders and railroads compete directly with construction for heavy structural shapes.

Freight-car building programs are erratic. Railroads may be almost out of the market for a year or two, then suddenly return with a bushel of orders.

The railroads were in the market for structural last year, and will be again this year, because of an artificial stimulus—the federal government last year set a cut-off date after which railroads could not get rapid amortization for tax purposes. To beat the deadline, railroads sent a small flood of orders to the steel mills at a time when the market already was unable to meet demand.

With the construction industry and the railroads subject to rapid ups and downs, the mills look to fabricators and warehouses to supply some degree of stability. But that safety device fails in a time of critical shortage. This is because inventories are reduced to a minimum. Fabricators and warehouses cannot supply the steel needed to meet a local situation in which a construction project needs only a small quantity of steel—but needs it desperately. That is one reason some jobs are being shut down.

Cars vs. Highways

If the construction industry can't get enough steel for today's markets, what will happen when an expanded federal-aid highway program is approved? The answer is that the steel industry may have to decide whether it wants to supply steel for roads or for automobiles.

Some of the present structural steel shortage is traced back to the record volume of automobiles produced in 1955. Structural steel does not go into cars. But basic steel does. And when the automobile industry called for more steel, the producers turned to that market of higher profit. Some steel spokesmen say privately that more ingots will go to the blooming mills if automobile production shows a real drop. But it hasn't been the case so far. When some carmakers canceled orders for sheet steel in January, the steel mills turned only a small part of this basic capacity to structurals. They found a ready market for the "extra" sheet steel in the booming appliance business.

One comment that the producers have on the expanded road program is worth noting. The program will start slowly, then build up after the first two or three years. That means that the full effects will not be felt immediately.

But, despite the expansion of basic steel and a limited expansion in structural capacity, the construction industry—even without the road program—can expect the shortage to last at least another nine months—maybe longer.

Construction's Share of Steel Supply

Total Mill Shipments of Carbon Steel Direct to . . .

Fabricators and Construction	1953 Thous. Tons	1953 % of Total	1954 Thous. Tons	1954 % of Total	1955 Thous. Tons	1955 % of Total
Projects, Total	**9,810**	**13.8**	**8,563**	**15.1**	**9,598**	**12.8**
Heavy structural shapes	2,601	3.7	2,626	4.6	2,579	3.4
Plates	1,754	2.5	1,574	2.8	1,716	2.3
Steel piling	283	0.4	319	0.6	309	0.4
Concrete reinforcing bars	947	1.3	897	1.6	1,038	1.4
All other	4,225	5.9	3,147	5.6	3,956	5.3
Warehouses and Distributors*						
Total	**14,254**	**20.0**	**11,456**	**20.3**	**14,995**	**20.0**
Heavy structural shapes	1,069	1.5	904	1.6	956	1.3
Plates	1,127	1.6	676	1.2	961	1.3
Steel piling	27	#	21	#	41	#
Concrete reinforcing bars	690	1.0	660	1.2	884	1.2
All other	11,341	15.9	9,195	16.3	12,153	16.2
All Domestic Users						
Total	**71,192**	**100.0**	**56,523**	**100.0**	**74,968**	**100.0**
Heavy structural shapes	4,725	6.6	4,213	7.5	4,444	5.9
Plates	7,024	9.9	4,973	8.8	6,220	8.3
Steel piling	321	0.5	346	0.6	357	0.5
Concrete reinforcing bars	1,775	2.5	1,715	3.0	2,093	2.8
All other	57,347	80.6	45,276	80.1	61,854	82.5

Shipments shown in net tons.
*Include those who also do fabricating. A large part of this tonnage is used for other than construction purposes.
#less than 0.1%.

Highway officials meet in Chicago to discuss . . .

Electronics: A New Tool for Engineers

Machines that can "think" and do much highly technical—but routine-engineering work will in the next year or two provide the answer to a greatly expanded highway program without a great increase in human engineering forces.

That prospect emerged last week from the first national conference ever held to discuss means of streamlining highway engineering. With the American Association of State Highway Officials as sponsor, and the Illinois Division of Highways as hosts, the meeting this week pulled together at Chicago a surprisingly large crowd of 125 professionals, representing, among others, 37 state highway departments. And in a series of hastily-gathered, but well organized panel discussions, they gave and gathered information on electronic, photogrammetric and related developments that are wholly practical for highway application.

The two-day national meeting in Chicago grew out of plans for a four-day regional meeting to be held by the North-eastern states in Albany, N. Y., March 26-29. So widespread was the interest generated by plans for the Albany meeting that AASHO and the Bureau of Public Roads decided to hold the conference at Chicago's Morrison Hotel, March 6 and 7.

The new-era character of the conference showed up in the choice of chairman—Chief Deputy Commissioner G. M. Foster of Michigan, who is head of the AASHO Committee on use of electronic equipment.

In the very first session, H. L. Plummer of Wisconsin told what his department had done in three years to double—and more than double—the volume of highway work handled by the same staff of engineers. (ENR Jan. 19, p. 28). Then this panel and others went into expanded uses of electronic equipment, starting with the two-way radio.

• **Computers at work**—Three types of computers were demonstrated by their manufacturers. Two computers were at work in the hotel on earthwork and survey computations, and tour parties of about fifty each were taken to see a bigger computer at the International Business Machines Center.

Although the two-day program was divided into twice-daily technical sessions, they were conducted in an informal atmosphere.

One panel explained how an electronic digital computer manipulates data through its four parts: input, computation and transfer section, memory cell, and output device. Another group reported experience with high-speed calculation of earthwork quantities and survey computations.

Telegraph company representatives told the conference how simple and inexpensive are installed systems for direct teletype communication—or, even better, facsimile transmission to send field notebook pages or drawings in without chance of error.

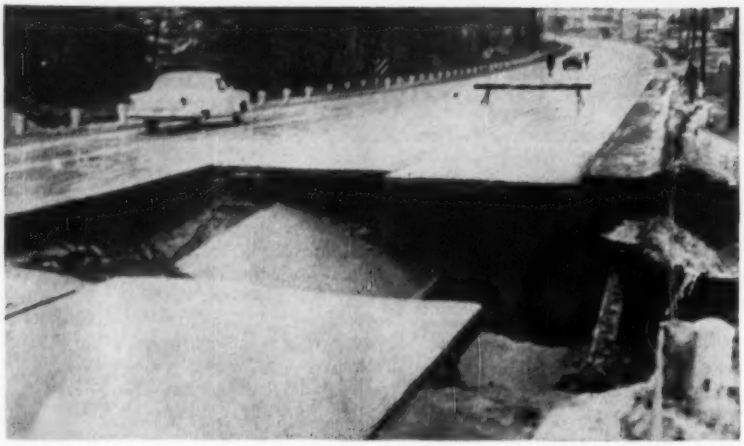
• **Time saved, but how much?**—But the engineers were interested chiefly in how much engineering time and effort could be saved by using the electronic computers. And here is what they learned.

According to the manufacturers of the equipment: In cut-and-fill computations for roadbuilding, for example, it was claimed that one operator with an electronic computer can do the work of 45 mathematicians with mechanical desk calculators. These reduced computation costs will result in more accurate estimates of job costs and work schedules, the highway engineers were told, and similar economies can be realized in other types of construction engineering design such as stress analysis. By feeding the engineering survey data of the cross sections for both the original ground surface and the finished roadway into these machines they can compute the volume of cut—and fill, summarizing the volume as they go along, all at an average rate of about 4½ minutes per 100 ft of highway. In one demonstration it was pointed out that an electrical computer would need only about 12 sec. for the actual solution of the area of a cross section. Savings claimed for this method over the conventional method of using CGS section, road profile and planimeters, run as high as 30 to 1 in elapsed time, while a savings in cost is equal to or greater than 15 to 1.

In another comparison about 40 min time is required to compute the volume of cut and fill between two stations, using the conventional methods. By comparison the same results can be obtained with an electric computer in 4½ to 5 min. This particular machine, according to its demonstrator, costs around $39,000, but it would do the work of about 10 engineers computing cross sections, etc. Also it is estimated that the average salaries paid three of these engineers would pay for the computing machine over a reasonable length of time with the savings in the salaries of the other seven engineers representing a substantial amount. Such a machine rents for about $1,000 a month.

Although most of the demonstrations were centered on earthwork computations, the machines are equally capable of handling other functions of highway design. These include traverse computation, traffic analysis, cost accounting, curve and structure design, stock accounting, etc.

"IT'S EASY," explains John Gaffney of the Burroughs Corp. as he gives T. F. Morf, Illinois State Highway Department Research and Planning Engineer, a brief lesson in electronic computer operation. Onlookers are (l. to r.): C. W. Kitchens, Sr., Corps of Engineers, Ft. Belvoir, Va.; R. W. McGowan, North Carolina State Highway Dept.; and R. J. Roy, Bureau of Public Roads, Raleigh, N. C.



Minor Floods Hit Two Eastern States

Swollen Allegheny River flows last week flooded several New York and Western Pennsylvania communities but receded before posing a major threat to the Ohio Valley.

Hardest hit were the communities of Warren, Pa., about 110 mi north of Pittsburgh, and Salamanca, N. Y., 35 mi northeast of Warren. Eight feet of water swirled through the 15,000-person Pennsylvania city causing an estimated $1-million damage. High flow (4.4 ft above flood stage) was recorded at 7 P.M. on Thursday and by Friday morning water level had dropped 1 ft. Flows at Salamanca were 4.5 ft above flood stage.

The same rains and melting snow that swelled the Allegheny also caused high waters on the Susquehanna River which runs a southerly course through east-central New York and Pennsylvania. Aside from several power failures and washed out roads such as pictured above, little damage was reported.

Along the Ohio River, running southwesterly from Pittsburgh where it is formed by the confluence of the Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers, crests were recorded between one and three feet above flood stage as far as Cincinnati.

A flood-control dam, sited just above Warren, has been authorized for several years. The Corps of Engineers has completed another dam and reservoir on the Allegheny at Tionesta, 34 mi below Warren.

Weight effect to be re-examined as . . .

AASHO Plans Third Road Test

Dirt will begin to fly by July of this year on a new $12-million road-test project to be built near Ottawa, Ill.—but first reports on results of tests won't start becoming available for a couple of years, and it may be five years before the reports are made final.

Sponsored by the American Association of State Highway Officials, the test will be the third major effort in recent years to determine the effect of vehicle weights on roadways and bridge sections. Basic reason for the new test is to help determine the cost increment for heavy trucks. In fact, the tax measure (Boggs Bill) now before Congress calls for a definitive study and a report on the perplexing question as to whether highway construction costs are in fact higher because the roads are designed for heavy trucks.

Speakers before the 375 delegates to the annual meeting at Chicago of the Mississippi Valley Conference of State Highway Departments outlined this schedule for the new test road:

- Initial grading contracts will be awarded in June of this year.
- Two construction seasons will be required to build the eight miles of divided pavement (of portland cement and asphaltic concrete), eight test bridges and installation of various testing equipment.
- Two years of actual testing, and another year for post-testing, analysis and writing the final report.

Fred Burggraf, director of the Highway Research Board, said that more than a million axle loads will be applied to each test section. Loads will vary from 10,000 to 30,000 lb for single axle to 20,000 to 50,000 for tandem axles.

- **Test management**—The AASHO-sponsored project will be conducted under direction of the Highway Research Board, and the Illinois Division of Highways—now preparing construction plans and specifications—will negotiate for right of way, and award contracts. The $12-million bill for the test will be met by 47 of the 48 state highway departments, the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, the Department of Defense and by the automotive, petroleum and tire segments of the highway transportation industry.

A 32-member group will constitute a national advisory committee for the tests, made up of 12 representatives of the highway departments; 4 members of AASHO, three from engineering colleges, and one each from the BPR, the Army's Transportation Corps., Automobile Manufacturers' Association petroleum industry, tire industry, PCA, the Asphalt Institute, National Highway Users' Conference, American Trucking Assn., Ford Motor Co., Truck Trailer Manufacturers' Association, Automotive Safety Foundation and the American Automobile Association. The group will hold its first meeting in Washington this week.

- **Promoting highways**—A promotional program to sell the need for better highways at the taxpayer level in Indiana generated a lot of interest among the highway leaders assembled at Chicago—some even predicted the movement may spread to other states.

Sponsored by an organization incorporated as "Indiana Highways for Survival", the program has taken for its target the 1957 legislature and has adopted a program calling for educating taxpayers to the point where they will demand adequate road legislation.

The directors of the program represent all segments of the construction industry, as well as businessmen, and the organization—a non-profit affair—has an operating budget of $75,000.

Port Bill Passes Final Test

A special session of the Maryland General Assembly has cleared the way for developing the state's port facilities by approving the long-debated port authority bill.

The bill originally was passed in the regular legislative session that closed March 1 (ENR March 8, p. 25). But this short session is constitutionally restricted and legal experts thought the bill might prove invalid without re-enactment.

The bill provides for financing the five-man port agency by increasing the state tax on corporate incomes from 4.5% to 5% starting July 1. The tax boost is expected to bring in an additional $2 million a year.

Turnpike Trestle

Precast, prestressed beams to be used in Connecticut

Contract has been awarded for construction of a 792-ft trestle along Connecticut's new turnpike. Engineers responsible for its design had to ponder some unusual field conditions before arriving at their choice of prestressed, precast stringers to carry a cast-in-place concrete deck.

The substructure will consist of 15 bents, made up of cast-in-place concrete pile caps and partially encased H-beam piles. The bents are spaced 49 ft 6 in. c-c.

The trestle will carry the new superhighway across a water supply reservoir—Lake Saltonstall—near New Haven, Conn. Not only was it important that the reservoir be maintained in serviceable operation during the summer, but the nearby location of the water intake plus a thick silt and peat deposit on the lake's bottom, made it imperative that there be little turbulence during trestle erection.

Final choice of bridge structure was governed by these considerations:

- End bearing piles of about 60 ft could be used with little lateral support.
- Erection must be done from the bridge deck rather than from floating equipment to minimize danger of contamination.
- Water company requirements and their time schedule made winter erection desirable. This made an existing steel delivery schedule a handicap.
- Minimum of maintenance of the structure to reduce future contamination.
- Economy, the prestressed, precast stringers that constitute the bridge's main component will be pretensioned I-shaped members. They have been designed to carry a deck traveller for sequence erection prior to placing the deck slab. After being placed they will be braced at right angles by deep, U-shaped concrete channels, also precast, and formed to be seated between the flanges and against the web of the stringer. Later, channels will be reinforced and filled with concrete.

Lastly, the cast-in-place deck slab will be concreted. Shear lock between the beams and slab will be provided by dowels and keying of the top flange of the I-sections with 1½-in.-deep mortised areas.

Prestressing of stringers will be done with ⅜-in., 7-strand cables. Initial prestress will be 175,000 psi. Specifications call for a 4,000-psi compressive strength for concrete at time of prestressing, with 28-day strength of 6,000 psi.

The project is a venture of the engineering firm of Seelye, Stevenson, Value & Knecht of New York City, and Westcott & Mapes, New Haven, Conn. T. F. Collier is project engineer.

General contractor for the portion of the turnpike that includes the trestle is M. A. Gammino Construction Co., Providence, R. I.

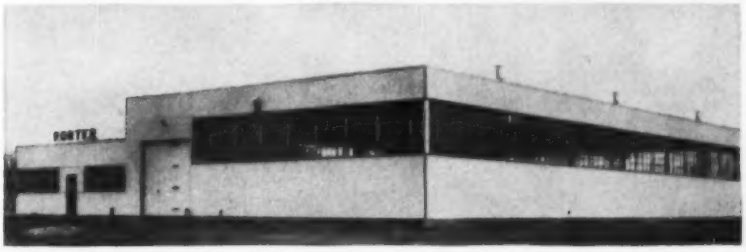
Private Atom Power

Latest plant planned may be the first in operation

The latest entry in the privately-financed nuclear power field, a General Electric-Pacific Gas & Electric Co. venture, also may be the first to go into commercial operation—about 1957. The $3.5-million, 5,000-kw plant will be located near San Francisco and will employ a reactor now being built by GE as a pilot model for a 180,000-kw station planned for the Chicago area.

Chief significance of this project is that power from a boiling water reactor designed for dual-cycle operation will be generated for the first time. Several of the AEC-sponsored atomic energy power plants will go into operation earlier, but none employ the dual-cycle boiling water method of steam generation.

Other private license projects are as follows: Rural Cooperative Power Assn. is building a 22,000-kw closed-cycle boiling water plant at Elk River, Minn. for 1959 operation; Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y. plans a 150,000-kw pressurized water nuclear station at Buchanan, N. Y., for 1960 completion; the above-mentioned 180,000-kw plant will be built by the Nuclear Power Group, Inc., headed by Commonwealth Edison, in time for 1960 power generation; and the Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. plans an aqueous homogenous reactor of 150,000-kw capacity for 1962.



Factory Gets Walls Made of Plastic

Insulated sandwich panels combine plastic-and-glass wall finish—inside and out—in an 8,480-sq-ft, one-story factory and office building in Grand Rapids, Mich., for Burke E. Porter Machinery Co. Opaque white surfaces of resin-laminated glass-fiber cloth are bonded to ¼-in. asbestos-cement sheets, which enclose a non-hygroscopic core of expanded polystyrene-resin insulation. The panels require no painting or finishing.

The building was completed at a total cost of $5.20 per sq ft, including the in-place panel cost of $2.20 per sq ft of wall.

The lower 8 ft of wall consists of 4 x 8-ft panels hung vertically on the steel frame. The top 4 ft is made up of horizontally hung panels. Between the two is a band of windows. Joints between panels are sealed with plastic splines. At the bottom of each panel, a groove engages a steel spline in the base plate. Tar-base mastic seals this joint.

The panels are made by Haskelite Mfg. Corp., Grand Rapids, Mich.

High Cost of Roads

Maryland acts to prevent right-of-way speculation

The Maryland legislature has passed a new condemnation bill designed to stop speculation prior to state acquisition of rights-of-way for highways.

The bill was introduced as a result of a recent speculation scandal—and a number of indictments—involving a State Roads Commission right-of-way engineer and several Washington developers.

Under the new law, the Roads Commission can freeze land values for one year after filing center-line plats with the circuit court clerk in the county involved. After establishing the plats, the commission must deposit funds with the circuit court—and this money can be used by the property owner affected without prejudicing the case either way. The value set by the commission on such rights-of-way can be amended by a special board of property review and later—if necessary—by the circuit court.

The new bill also permits the commission to take possession of the property after filing the plats. Until now the commission has been forced to buy rights-of-way as it moved along on a highway project, and it has had no way to freeze property values. This made speculation a simple matter, especially if developers were tipped off as to the location of new highways.

The law is patterned after a Pennsylvania statute, but is not as harsh toward property owners. The Maryland agency must acquire the land within one year, but in Pennsylvania there is no such time restriction.

Virginia Tunnel

Traffic survey indicates the project is feasible

A favorable feasibility report has increased chances for an early start on a second Elizabeth River tunnel, between Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va.

A preliminary report, issued by DeLeuw, Cather & Co., Chicago traffic engineers, indicates that the second tunnel is feasible from both a traffic and financial standpoint. And results of the study already have spurred the Elizabeth River Tunnel Commission to take steps toward constructing and financing the project.

The tunnel commission has:

- Asked three consulting engineering firms to submit preliminary proposals on the project by March 14. The firms include Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall & Macdonald, New York; J. E. Greiner & Co., Baltimore, and Singstad & Baillie, New York—all three already concerned in tunnel construction in Baltimore or Norfolk. The engineers selected will recommend routing and supervise construction in addition to designing the structure and preparing final plans and specifications.
- Appointed the National Bank of Commerce of Norfolk as trustee for the revenue bond issue needed for construction of the tube. The bank also will handle refinancing of the present bridge-tunnel in conjunction with the second project.

The tunnel is planned for a site about 1½ mi downstream from the present one. On the Norfolk side, traffic will be channeled into a new street plan. This will provide speedier travel to the northern part of the city as well as to Norfolk Naval Base and Hampton Roads bridge-tunnel. In Portsmouth, the tunnel probably will be linked to a new street planned to furnish fast transit to the western part of the city.

The new tube—which reportedly could be started in eight months and completed in three years—is expected to cost less than the first $23-million facility. Revenues from the present bridge-tunnel for the year ending Jan. 31 reached a record high of $2.4 million. And the tunnel portion is handling about 18,000 vehicles daily, close to capacity.

New Approach to Golden Gate Bridge

A new four-mile freeway approach to Golden Gate Bridge is slated to be officially dedicated March 20.

The $6.2-million project extends from the north end of the bridge to a point beyond the north end of Waldo grade. Work involved conversion of a four-lane undivided highway into a six-lane divided highway, construction of a new $1.8-million tunnel, and modernization of another.

Newest of the twin 1,000-ft tunnels (background) was opened last fall to carry two-way traffic while the old one was being tiled and illuminated. After the reconditioned tunnel is put back into operation this month it will handle southbound cars and the new one will take care of north-bound traffic.

Hurricane Program

North Carolina plan for protection starts to move

North Carolina's program for hurricane rehabilitation and protection shifted into high gear this month. After months of preparation and studies, these four developments occurred within days of each other:

- The U. S. House of Representatives voted unanimously to add $5.4 million to the federal disaster relief fund earmarked for hurricane clean-up work in North Carolina. Senate concurrence appears assured.
- The state released a report of a study it began last fall which sets forth a comprehensive state-wide storm protection program.
- A full-time State Director of Hurricane Rehabilitation and Protection was named to implement recommendations made in this study.
- The State Highway Department will go ahead with test construction of asphalt groins along a coastal bank to protect adjacent to U. S. 158.

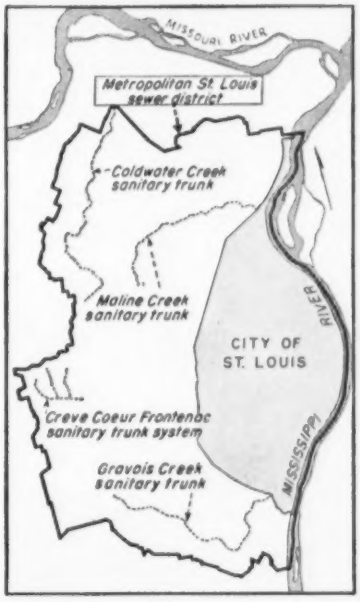
Gov. Luther Hodges had requested $20 million in federal funds for hurricane rehabilitation, pointing out that the state had received negligible funds compared to the emergency relief granted the New England states.

Harry Brown of Atlanta, Ga., veteran civil defense administrator named to the newly-created hurricane post, has the job of coordinating the expected federal grant with state and local funds. The report emphasizes that localities will bear the brunt of financing work needed and suggests the establishment of special development districts possessing borrowing authority. Three avenues for providing supplementary financial aid to these districts were advanced in the report: direct state contributions, state-established low-interest revolving loan fund, and state guarantee of local bond issues to aid in securing reasonable interest rates.

Local districts are envisaged carrying out drainage, beach erosion, sand dune preservation and diking.

One startling figure presented in the report was that North Carolina has suffered $319 million worth of damage from four hurricanes during the 1954-55 seasons.

W. H. Rogers, chief engineer of the State Highway Department, outlined the groin-building program. Five or six groins spaced along a half-mile stretch of highway—each will reach from the low tide mark to the dune line. They will be 8 ft wide at their bases. Cost of the experimental program is estimated at $25,000.



St. Louis Sewer Plan

Four major projects to be started by sewer district

Four major projects are to be started this year by the newly formed Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, which on Jan. 1 assumed responsibility for an area including the city and thickly populated St. Louis County.

First of four projects to total $10 million will be a 6-mi trunk sewer in the Maline Creek area, in the northern part of the county. Voters there approved a $1.7-million bond issue Feb. 7 by a 6-1 margin. Maline Creek had been described as "the most serious public health problem" in the area. Construction should start by May 1.

Three other projects to start this year, all of which must be authorized at bond issue elections, include:

- Coldwater Creek, about 8 mi of trunk sewer and a treatment plant for sewage before discharge into the Missouri River above the major St. Louis Chain of Rocks waterworks on the Mississippi. Estimated cost is about $3.5 million.
- Gravois Creek Subdistrict, about 10 mi of trunk sewer in the southern part of the county. Estimated cost, about $3 million.
- Creve Coeur-Frontenac Subdistrict, a trunk sewer and laterals to serve suburban areas west of St. Louis, to cost about $2.5 million.

The over-all plan of the Metropolitan Sewer District follows roughly a 1950 report of the Bi-State Agency for Missouri and Illinois. It involves service for 39,936 city acres and 75,000 acres in the county, with combined population of more than 1,200,000 persons.

Much of the existing St. Louis system is old and inadequate, the metropolitan approach was much needed. St. Louis County had 15 municipally-owned sewer systems, 24 operated by sewer districts, and another 75 in real estate subdivisions. The county had 49 publicly-operated treatment plants and 151 operated by industries. Half of the plants were said to be inadequate.

Corps Moves Fast

Engineers ready to speed work on New England dams

Only five weeks will elapse between Congressional appropriation of $1,250,000 for five New England flood-control reservoirs and advertisement of first contracts. Congress approved a supplemental request for fiscal 1956 money two weeks ago and the Corps of Engineers is set to advertise five contracts late this month or early in April.

Awards will be made for the following work.

Otter Brook, N. H.—$100,000 worth of highway relocation work for this earthfill dam will be let in May, with final completion expected by 1959.

Ball Mountain, Vt.—Stripping of abutments and construction of portions of access road, estimated at slightly less than $300,000, will proceed in April. Some land remains to be acquired for this project which is planned for 1960 operation.

Buffumville, Mass.—An April start on $100,000 worth of highway relocation is anticipated. Completion is expected by 1958.

Barre Falls, Mass.—First contract will include outlet works on the dam, access roads and utilities buildings totaling approximately $300,000, beginning in May. It is hoped to finish the dam and reservoir by 1958.

Bear Creek, Pa.—$300,000 will be spent on dam outlet works starting in April. This $18-million project won't be completed until 1961.

The Corps believes the construction speed-up made possible by the supplemental appropriations will save from 4 to 18 months construction time. Production of final plans and specifications for these projects will be divided among various district offices to assure orderly prosecution of subsequent work.

An extra $150,000 was provided in the appropriation for studies of a flood-control works at Woonsocket, R. I.

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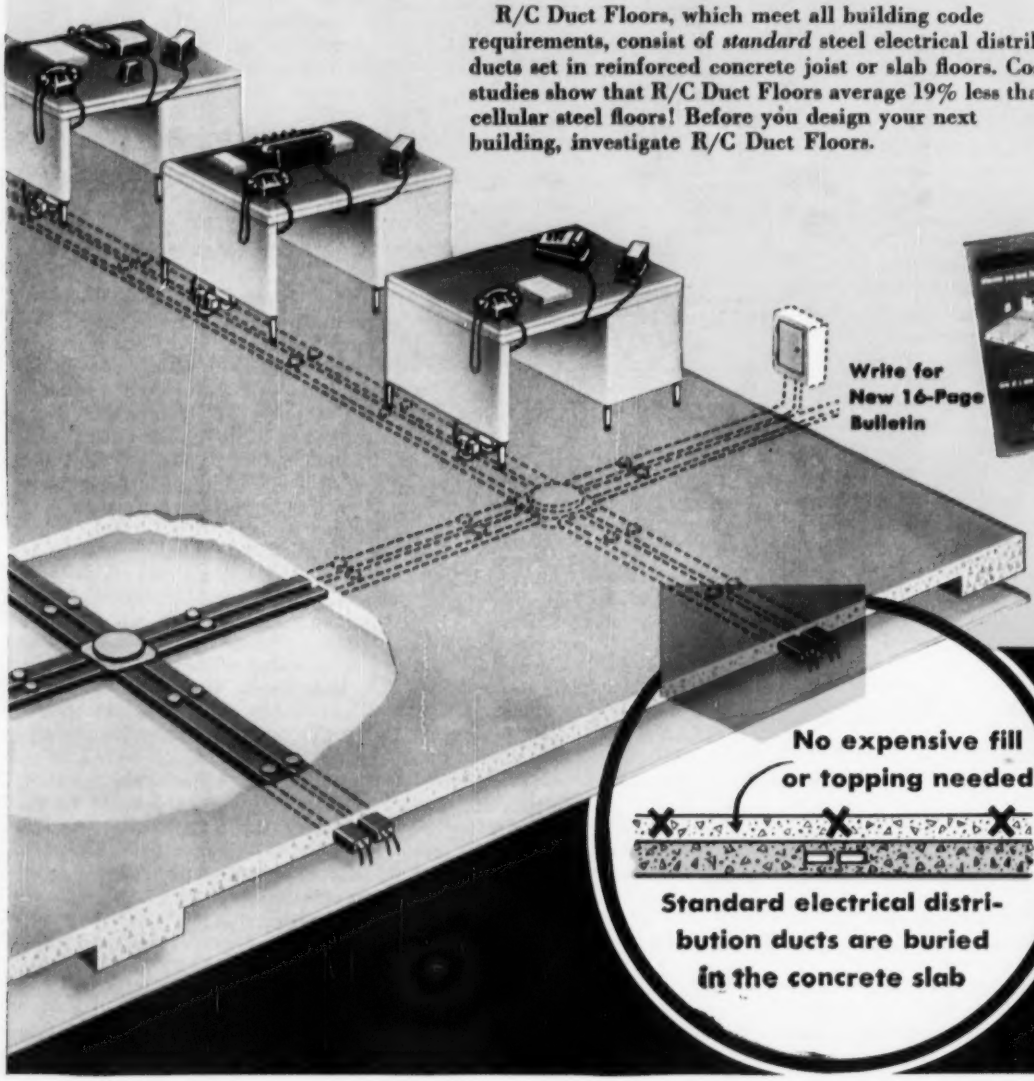

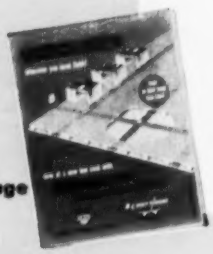

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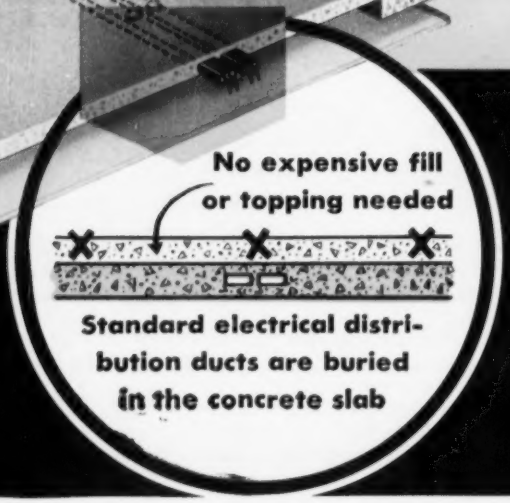

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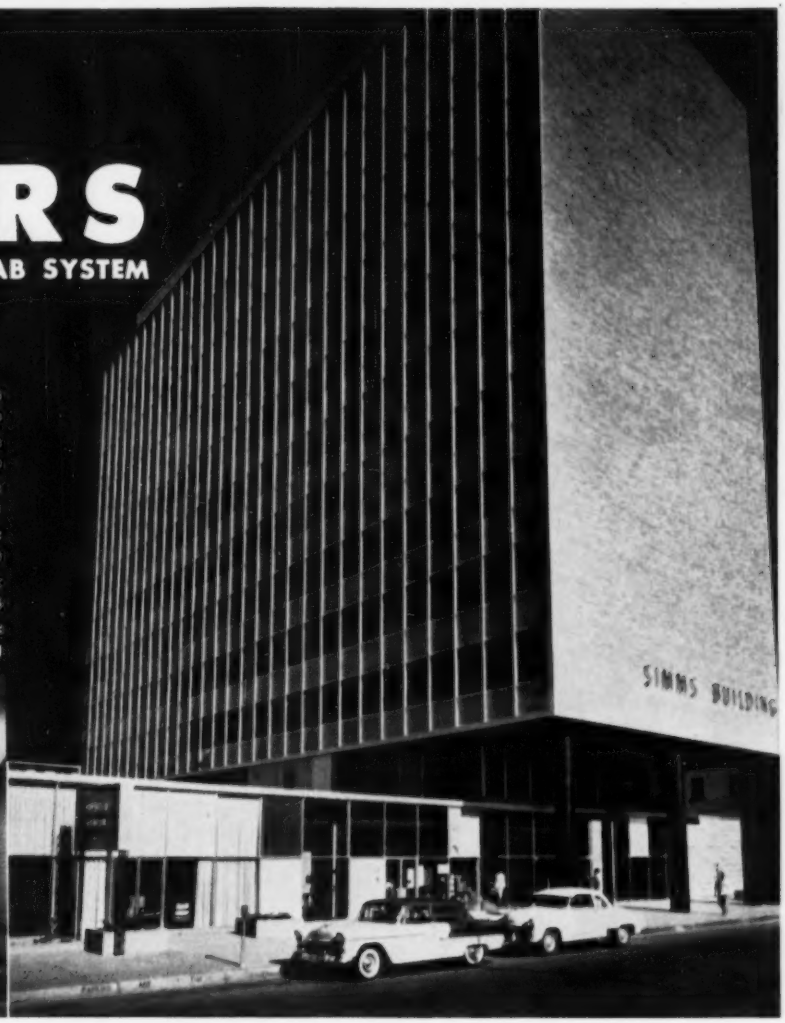

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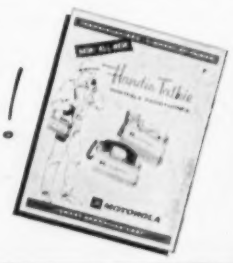

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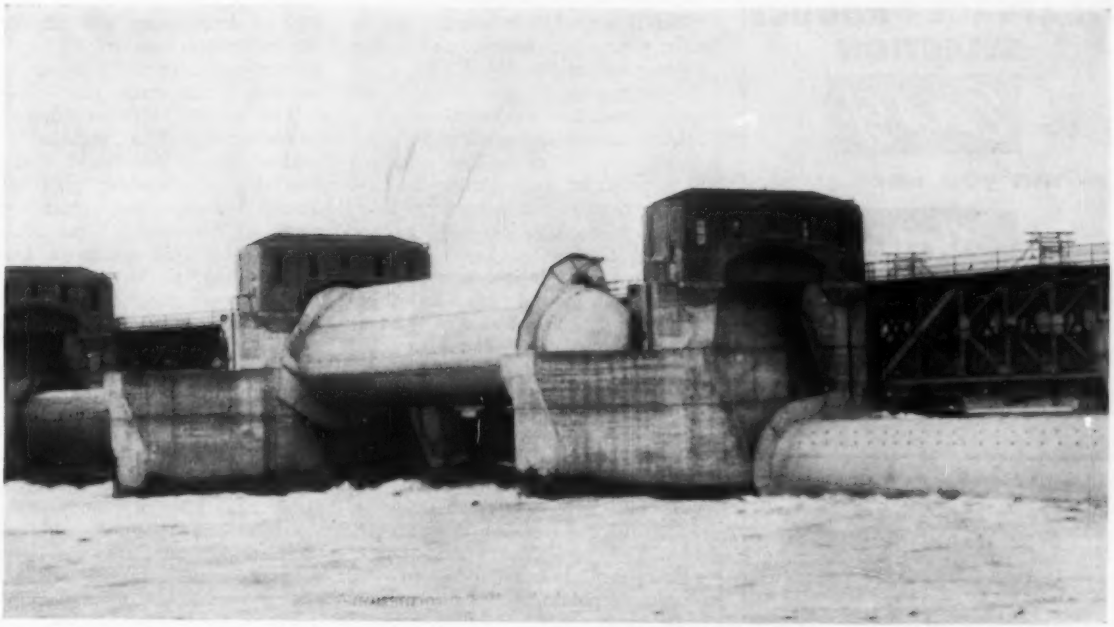
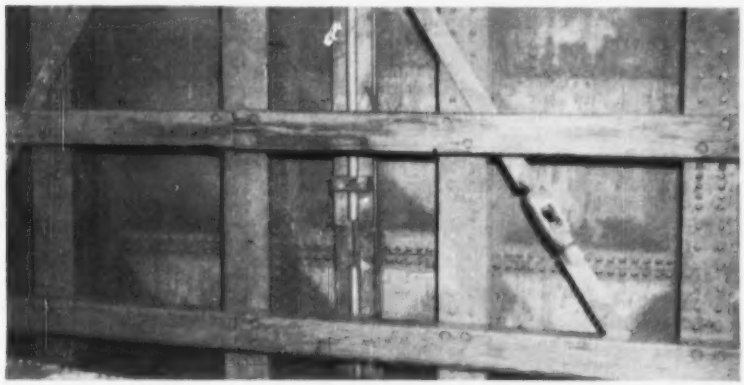


Mississippi River Dam No. 15 had its steel roller and lock gates used in tests to prove . . .

Where Cathodic Protection Works

CATHODIC PROTECTION ANODES—Each rod is protected and insulated by strips of timber. The rod at the left is stainless steel. The other two are structural steel.



GRAPHITE ANODE (center) mounted on oak timbers on one leaf of the upper gate of the main lock chamber at Dam No. 15.

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Corrosion of immersed steel structures that can be made accessible for painting only by expensive unwatering procedures often can be mitigated more economically by cathodic protection than by other means. That is the principal conclusion reached to date as a result of extensive studies of cathodic protection that still are in progress at Lock and Dam No. 15 on the Mississippi River at Rock Island, Ill., and at a few other similar structures. These studies are being made by the Rock Island District, North Central Division, of the Corps of Engineers.

This finding applies chiefly to the miter gates and sector gates of navigation locks. The studies indicate further that the exterior and interior surfaces of tainter and roller gates subject to fresh water exposure generally can be protected more economically with paint coatings than by cathodic methods.

If facilities for cathodic protection are included in the design of sector gates or miter gates, cost of that protection can be reduced materially.

At Dam No. 15, experimental installations of cathodic protection were made on miter gates, which have 48,-

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000 sq ft of surface area, one-third of which is subject to immersion, and on roller gates, which have an underwater, exterior area of 104,000 sq ft. Ice and debris floating in the river greatly complicated the problem of installing cathodic protection on the roller gates. Anodes installed on the lock gates had to be protected against injury by tows moving through the locks.

Each of the four leaves of the lock gates at Dam No. 15 is electrically grounded through its operating machinery to a ground plate located beneath the concrete at each of the four gate anchors. Similarly, the roller gates, their operating machinery and the service bridge are grounded by a cable leading to a ground plate at one end of the dam. The river water in which the gates are submerged has a specific resistance of about 3,000 ohms per cubic centimeter. Solids dissolved in it are principally calcium bicarbonate.

• **Experimental installations**—In the process of obtaining the information for this investigation, 25 field cathodic protection installations and one fairly large laboratory experiment were made or are under way. A number of the initial trial installations made use of remote anodes while all of those of a more recent date employ close anodes. (Remote anodes are considered to be located more than 20 ft from, while close anodes are considered to be located within 3 ft of, the surfaces to be protected.) The remote locations of anodes for lock gates included: floor of lock chamber, 50 ft from gate; along lock wall in miter gate recess; along river bank outside of lock chamber; and along centerline of lock chamber.

For dam gates, remote anode locations were 300 ft upstream and 50 ft upstream on the bottom of the river.

Upstream and downstream surfaces of lock and dam gates and the interior surfaces of roller and compartmented tainter gates have been included in the test areas to be protected cathodically. A few of the test surfaces were blast cleaned and left uncoated prior to application of protective current, while others were protected by coatings to a variable degree, ranging from an intact coating affording relatively complete protection to an old deteriorated coating offering relatively 40 percent protection.

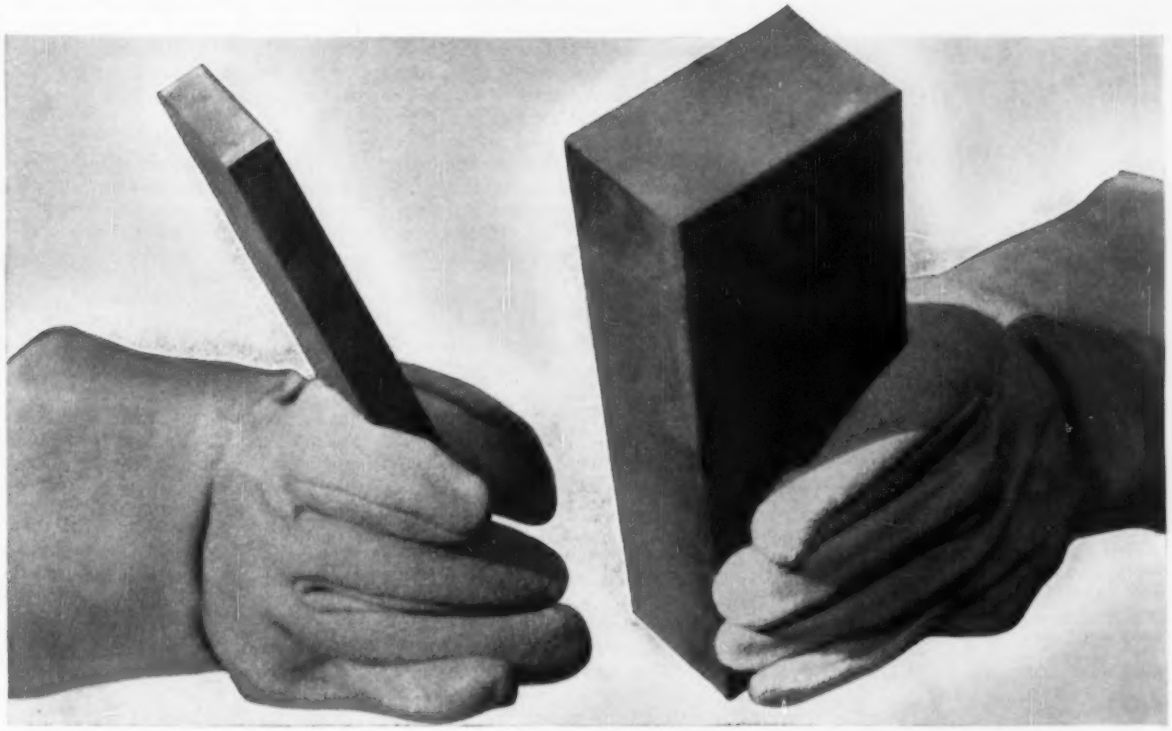
• **Anode location**—The factors considered in selecting anode location were: cost of initial installations; ease of anode replacement; current distribution on the cathode (surface to be protected) probably anode life; insulation of anode from contact with cathode; shielding effects, and straying of cathodic currents. Many of the installations were designed for the purpose of determining how rugged the anodes, anode supports, fittings, and connections needed to be to avoid excessive maintenance.

The remote locations offered the most economy in installation of anodes, but it was found that current straying elsewhere than to the intended surface was greater than could be accepted on the basis of either anode dissipation or current consumption, or both. When the possibility of stray currents damaging the reinforced concrete was considered, there was even more reason to abandon the idea of locating anodes remotely from the cathode. Consequently, on all of the experimental installations now operating, the anodes are mounted directly on the roller, tainter, or miter gate being protected. They are supported on wood timbers which, in addition to their support function, insulate the anode from the cathode.

One disadvantage of these supports is the relatively high cost of installation. Also the wood timbers on roller and tainter gates will eventually be destroyed by the action of ice and debris. The amount of current straying from close anode installation is not known definitely, but it is estimated from tests made that it is less than 15 percent of the total current supplied to the anodes. In some cases it probably is not more than 2 percent.

• **Anode material**—Low carbon steel, stainless steel, graphite, and magnesium have been used in the various trial installations. The magnesium was used, of course, as a galvanic type anode, generating its own current. The chief disadvantage of magnesium in water of rather high resistivity is the low current developed which in turn requires the anodes to be closely spaced over the area to be protected and not far distant from it. Consequently, labor and material costs for installation of magnesium anodes tend to be high.

Stainless steel rods, ¾-in. diameter, have performed fairly well as anodes for rectified current, but severe pitting can be expected at any point where the high polish of the rod has been scarred, as by welding or by handling, and at points where oxygen deficiency exists. Low-carbon steel rods have the advantage of low initial cost, ease of welding and shaping, and high mechanical strength until weakened by dissipation of the metal, but the rate of expenditure of 20 pounds per ampere-year makes frequent replacement necessary. Also, the metal loss from the anode is not uniform, which means that mechanically weak points



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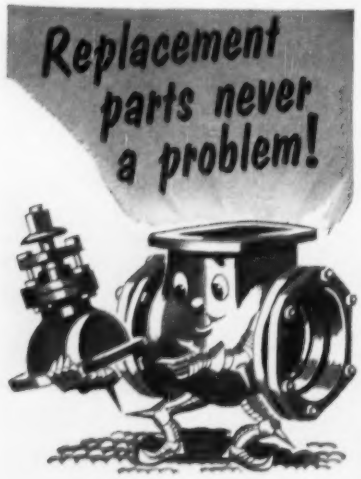

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Another prototype installation will be made this year to evaluate the performance of Duriron as anode material. Reportedly, this steel, containing about 14 percent silicon, withstands electrolytic corrosion well.

• **Anode dimensions**—In the investigative work published in the November, 1950, issue of "Corrosion" by E. R. Shepard and H. J. Graeser on "Design of Anode Systems for Cathodic Protection of Underground and Water Submerged Metallic Structures", design data are given concerning the effect of diameter and length of anodes on the circuit resistance of a cathodic installation. This information contributed materially to the preliminary design of experimental installations. In the instant investigation the anode length required for satisfactory current distribution generally resulted in a circuit resistance of approximately 2 ohms for installations on mitre gates and from ¾ to 1.2 ohms for installations on tainter and roller gates. The anode diameter selected for various installations was governed by either the size commercially available or the size handled economically.

• **Fittings and accessories**—The bolts, brackets, timbers, insulation materials for underwater electrical connections, conduit, and cable are the items considered to be the most vulnerable to mechanical damage. Considerable progress has been made in determining how damage can be minimized by proper design, but mechanical difficulties continue to plague the trial installations, although at less frequent intervals for the most recent designs. The pressing need for economical installations is frequently an overriding factor in these design considerations.

• **Current density**—A current density of 2 milliamperes a square foot on the surfaces to be protected has been found sufficient to maintain protection of bare steel submerged in relatively quiet water. In order to establish protection initially within a reasonable period of time, 4 or 5 milliamperes per square foot is usually applied during the first week or two of operation of an installation. It is quite difficult to obtain a protective potential on the top 6 in. of waterline areas, but it is believed that some protection is obtained from the current that reaches this area intermittently.

• **Current distribution**—Anodes attached to gates in a fairly symmetrical manner will furnish current to all parts of one face of a gate quite satisfactorily. Even anodes located in a compartment closed on three sides but open on the side facing the river will furnish current to an adjacent compartment.

Leading edges of structural members facing the anodes, rivet heads, and similar projects will receive higher current densities and tend to shield areas more distant from the anodes, but generally sufficient current eventually gets to all areas for fairly satisfactory protection. A paint film, even though it may be imperfect and only ½ mil thick, is effective for improving current distribution.

• **Polarization tests**—The protection obtained in the cathodic installations was determined primarily by means of structure-to-water potential tests employing a copper sulphate half cell. A potential change of a minus 0.2 volts from the pre-protection potential of the structure was found to be sufficient to stop corrosion. Visual inspection for the presence of carbonate deposits and in some cases the absence of corrosion verified the date from half cell measurements. Dilute muriatic acid was used to detect carbonate deposits not readily visible.

• **Damage to paint coatings**—Cathodic currents, the magnitude of which have been quite carefully controlled, have not been found to appreciably damage vinyl or phenolic coatings. In fact, there is some evidence that the performance of the vinyl coatings is improved when the area they are protecting is also under cathodic protection. However, on the basis of limited laboratory test data and reports by others, there is no question that excessive current densities will damage these coatings.

Cathodic protection is another tool for the use of engineers in their battle with the underground and underwater corrosion of metal. The use of this tool on corrosion problems requires careful engineering analysis to obtain maximum economy in design, minimize survey costs, and avoid damage to structures or utilities. The corrosion engineer must have an open mind and have available realistic cost data to make sound decisions as to what method or combination of methods of corrosion control will serve the customer best.

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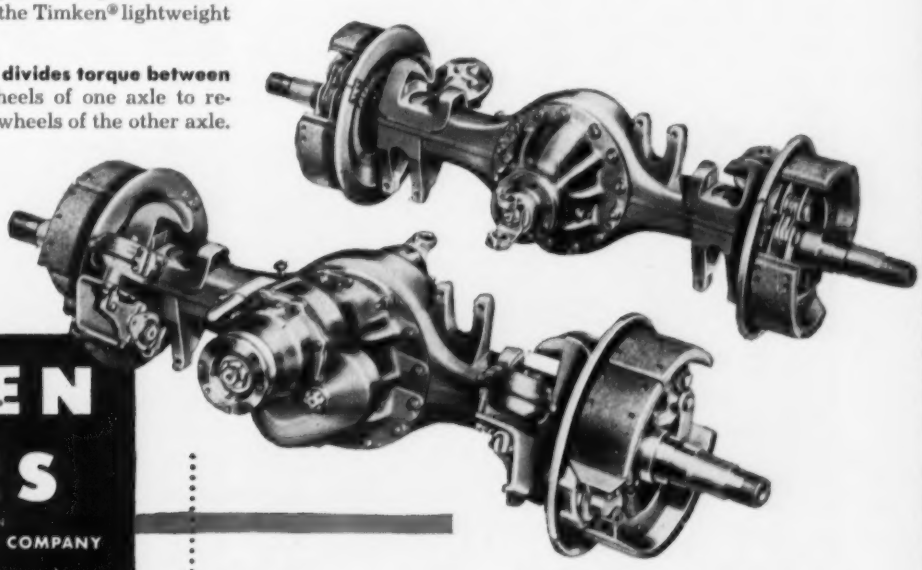

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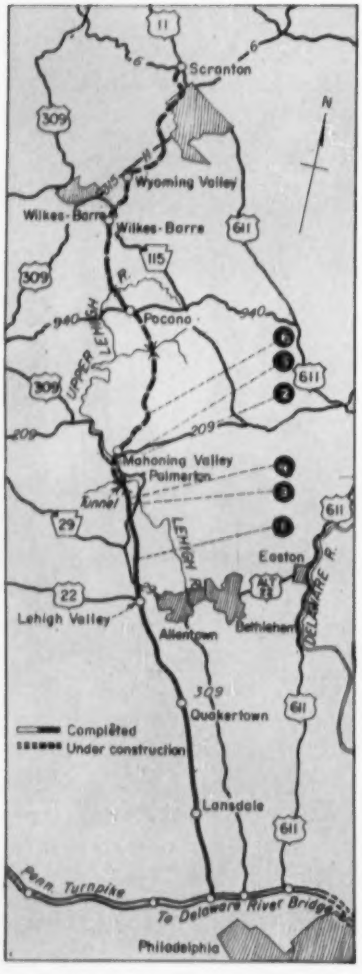

Having completed about 48 mi of four-lane tollroad with comparative ease, contractors building the Northeast Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike have driven head-on into the Pocono Mountains and some of the most rugged roadbuilding terrain in the East.

The rough 62 mi of road that remain on the route to Scranton are being assaulted by fleets of the heaviest equipment made, armies of bridge builders and—most unusual—platoons of strip and drift miners.

The completed section stretches through gently rolling country from near Philadelphia to a temporary cutoff midway between the Lehigh Valley and Mahoning Valley interchanges. But in the first five miles north of the temporary interchange, the route slices through a 90-ft cut in slate rock, jumps the town of Emerald on a high-level, three-bay bridge, drives through 4,700 ft of hardrock tunnel, then spans a deep creek valley on a higher five-bay structure.

• **No room for roads**—One of the first Pocono obstacles that confronted planners was a mountain ridge that is broken only where the Lehigh River cuts through it near Palmerton, Pa. This gap already carries US Route 309, which forms the spout through which pours traffic funneled from five heavily traveled routes, as well as railroad rights of way, so routing of the turnpike extension through the narrow gap was considered not feasible. Selection of the tunnel as the best alternative proved to be merely the start of a parade of knotty route location decisions.

From this tunnel north, no less than eight major bridge structures are under construction. They range in length from about 400 ft to more than 1,500 ft. Minor structures occur at less than one-mi intervals,. and range in size from pipe culverts to a reinforced concrete arch culvert 9½-ft x 14-ft in cross section and 703 ft in length. Into the latter went 2,460 cu yd of concrete and 172,000 lb. of steel.

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• **Big job for big equipment**—Cutting through strip and drift mining country, where big excavating equipment is a common sight, the toll road is being pushed by contractors using several units of locally situated strip-mining rigs—even walking draglines—and bringing in some outsized pieces of their own. Six-yard shovels dot the route, and 50-ton trucks are considered standard equipment. And they are none too large for the jobs—cuts range up to 1,000,000 cu yd and fills are placed to 90 ft in height.

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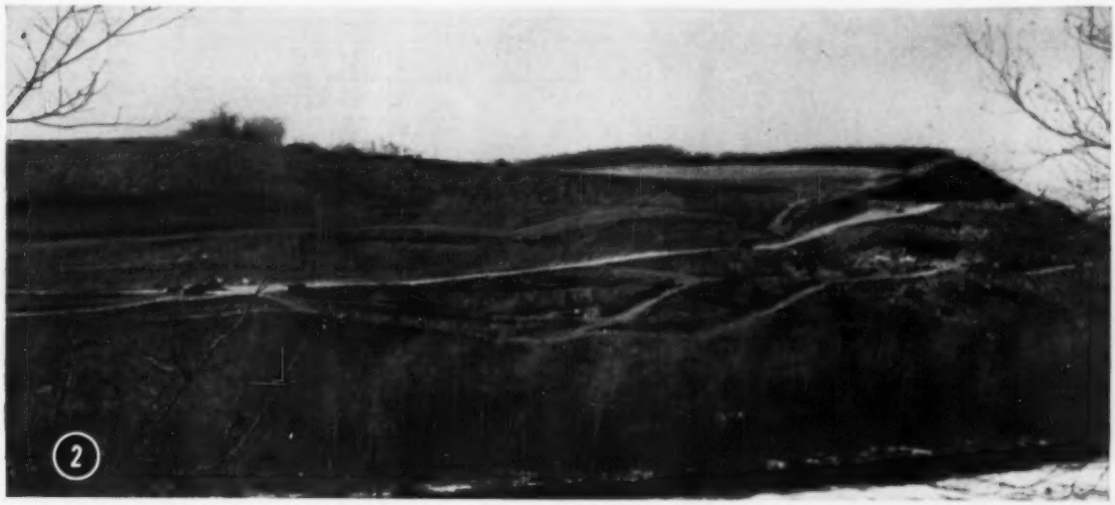

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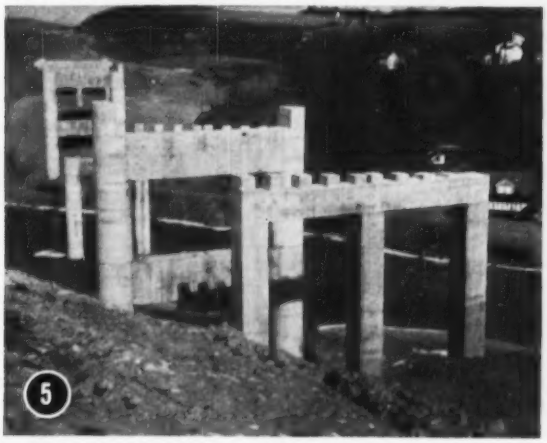

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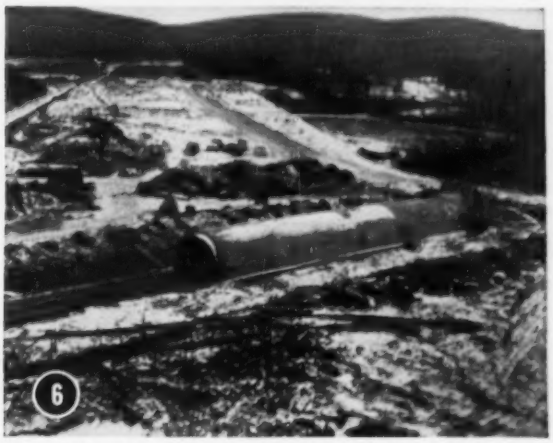

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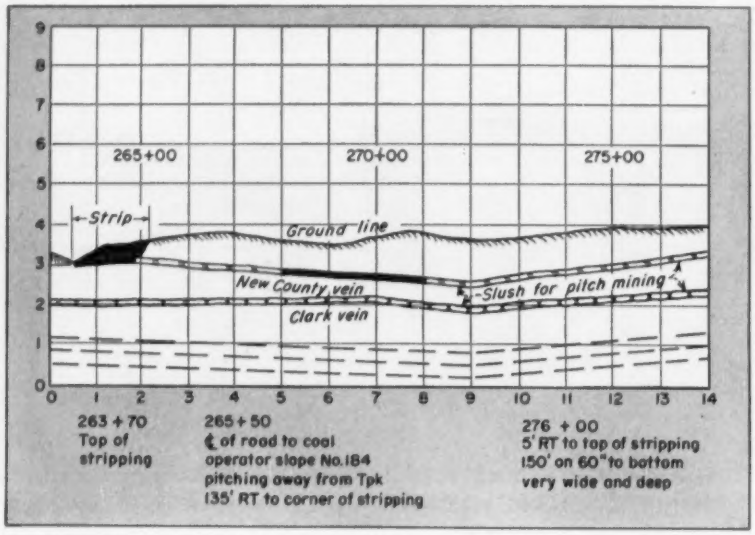
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Strip
Ground line
New County vein
Slush for pitch mining
Clark vein
263 + 70
Top of stripping
265 + 50
℄ of road to coal operator slope No.184 pitching away from Tpk 135' RT to corner of stripping
276 + 00
5' RT to top of stripping 150' on 60° to bottom very wide and deep

TYPICAL MINE SLUSHING DATA SHEET shows depth of veins, portions to be slushed and those to be stripped.

tractor-mounted drill rigs are proving their worth as a result of their power and maneuverability in the rough, shale-studded right of way. Dual-drum pavers, working tandem, pour two 12-ft lanes simultaneously, the first placing a 7-in-thick base layer, and the second casting a 3-in top layer over welded wire fabric. When the following paver reaches the lead machine, it helps place base course concrete.

Blast holes six inches in dia are drilled in shale, slate and abrasive sandstone by manufactured and field developed rigs. Holes up to 50 ft deep on a 16-ft grid are drilled, and eight days of drilling are required for a 25,000-cu-yd shot.

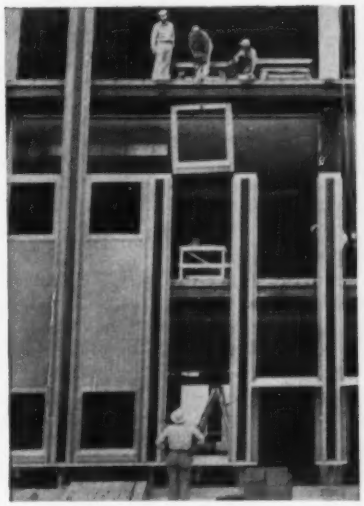
• A mining operation, too—At the northern (Scranton) end of the extension, some 15 mi of right of way is undercut by a maze of worked out and abandoned mine drifts, in some places as many as four worked out veins occurring at various levels below the proposed route. In order to assure a firm subbase, most of these mines require packing with hydraulically placed sand or silt. In some places, where drifts are closest to the surface, it has been found expedient to strip the cover until the soil layer above the drift is of sufficient thickness to bear the highway load safely with slushed packing.

Slushing, a common practice in mining regions, entails drill rigs that sink 7½-in holes to receive driven casings of 6 in dia, 10 x 10 x 5-ft portable hopper-funnels to receive and deliver slushing material to the casings, and two 2½-in. firehoses mounted on a truck tailboard for sluicing sand and silt into the draft at about 100 psi. From 150 to 200 gal of water per ton of sand or silt are used.

The casing is driven to lowest drift, and trucks deposit the sand and silt in the portable hopper-funnel. The box is placed about six ft from the casing to allow operational space during retraction phases of the process. The high-pressure jets carry the material down into the drift until it is packed, and the casing is withdrawn to the next higher drift where the operation is repeated. Occasionally, the casing becomes so firmly implanted at the lower level that extrication becomes impractical, so the bottom of the casing is blown and the operation continues. In places where there is danger of erosion by infiltrating water in the packed area, concrete plugs are poured to seal off the flow.

• Strip-mining operations—Just outside the city of Scranton, the right of way runs into a mountainous pile of spoil from a strip-mining operation. At last report, the contractor on this section could not say how much of the loosely packed, poor soil would have to be removed, or how deep he would have to go to reach suitable subbase.

In a project such as this one, every contractor has special decisions to make with equipment movement, excavation and material handling. It is difficult, in some cases, to figure out how they ever managed to get a dragline to a place one-third the way down into a steep canyon, or a scraper unit half-way up a sheer mountainside. One contractor, a leading strip mine operator, dismantled a 6-yd track-mounted dipper rig and moved it to be reassembled for work on a short cut section.



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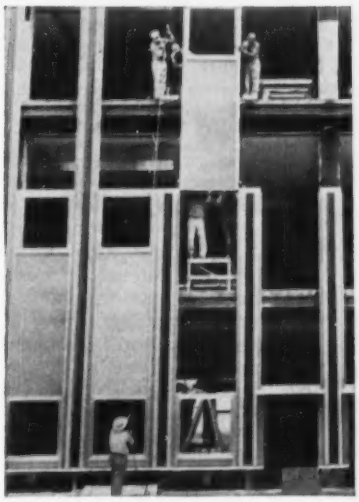

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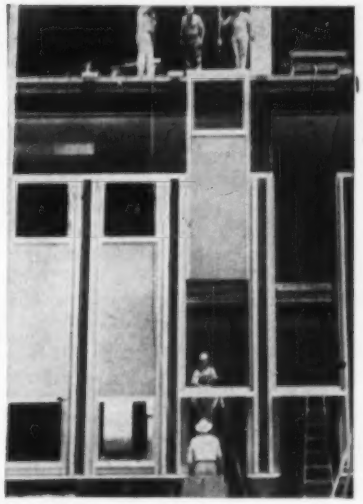

SLIDING into place between mullions.

Houston's tallest welded building—construction averaged . . .

Better Than a Story a Month

G. Allen Heidbreder
Architect
Houston, Texas

Twenty-one months of construction time for a $16-million skyscraper with 825,000 sq ft of floor area is unusually short. Yet, that is what the time from the first shovel of earth to completion will be for Houston's new 24-story Bank of the Southwest Building—tallest welded structure in the city—when tenants begin to move in next month.

• **Tight scheduling**—To begin with, the general contractor was exacting in scheduling delivery of materials. There was very little stockpiling on the site. Almost every item was unloaded from a truck, moved immediately to the approximate location of usage, and erected within a short time. Wherever possible, materials were loaded on flats and moved about with mobile lifts. This applied particularly to masonry units and sack materials. Horizontal movement of concrete was by mechanized buggies.

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ditions have prevailed to date with only six working days lost due to inclement weather.

• **Repetitive design**—The steel frame is welded. Framing was kept as simple and regular as possible, the only variations being about the elevator shafts. All structural members are fire-protected with plaster.

A typical bay of the building is 25 x 24 ft 4 in. These dimensions were based on the desirability of certain office layouts and the economical subdivision of the site.

Wide-flange columns (14-in.) were used throughout, cover plates being needed for only a few in the lower floors. All columns were kept free of concrete basement walls so that excavation and forming for the most part could progress without the usual delay of awaiting the arrival of structural steel columns.

• **Cellular deck**—Above the first floor decking is cellular steel. It proved well worth-while from its first use as staging to the final intended use as a flexible electrical distribution system. An additional benefit was a reduction in construction insurance rates. A 2½-in. lightweight concrete fiill was placed over the cellular decking.

While construction was fast, more time than usual was spent in the design of the building, and in particular, in the design of its exterior. The governing factors in the design came from considerations of the building's functions. Present banking facilities occupy nine floors. The new plan will provide a 50% increase in floor area and switch from a vertical to a horizontal-type operation. The new main banking floor will occupy a square block of 63,000 sq. ft, located on the second floor, with only a few departments on other floors. These other departments, with space to spare, were easily laid out on the first three floors of the building.

The solution seemed to resolve itself naturally into a large low base and a narrow tower. The large banking room required longer spans than other spaces; so the tower was located off center to avoid expensive heavy trusses over this area. Red granite was chosen as the exterior material for the base, and aluminum facing for the tower.

• **Novel aluminum facing**—The architects's requirements for the aluminum facing were that (1) there be no open calked joints; (2) expansion joints be tight and waterproof; (3) contrasting values be provided from bright aluminum to dark or gray; (4) a sculptural effect be incorporated in the design; (5) the construction be a combination of extrusions and flat sheets structurally independent of backup materials; (6) shapes and sizes be simple and repeated many times; and (7) windows be of a type that can be washed from the inside without the use of ladders.

All these requirements were met. The resulting facing consists of panels about 5 ft wide by 13 ft long. These are one-story sections with one window set in each panel. No aluminum facing was installed until the plaster fireproofing, major air conditioning ductwork, and the rough masonry walls about elevator shafts, stair towers and mechanical spaces were completed. This left only the 4-in. perlite wall as the last major structural operation to be finished after the aluminum was erected.

Materials on the job were chosen for durability of use during construction as well as after erection. Almost all work performed was of a permanent nature, since very little temporary construction was needed for erection purposes. Steel sheetpiling used in the foundation will remain in place, only the temporary shoring being removed. Concrete formwork was limited to the interior of basement walls, basement and first floor slabs, and floor well openings.

Architect for the aluminum-clad skyscraper is Kenneth Franzheim. Structural engineer is Ward Butterwick. The general contractor is the W. S. Bellows Construction Corp. The author was job captain for the architect.

In addition, H. E. Bovay was mechanical engineer. R. F. Taylor acted as mechanical consultant, and W. E. Simpson as foundation consultant.

Chicago to Let Contracts On $10 Million in Schools

As part of its already-approved $50-million building program, Chicago's Board of Education hopes to let contracts by the end of this year for construction of six new schools. Total cost of the six is estimated at $10 million.

Architectural design work has not yet started, but the board expects to take early action on this phase of the program.

Three of the new schools, slated to cost about $3 million each, will be high schools. The other three will be elementary schools. One of the elementary schools will cost about $1.2 million. The other two, much smaller, will cost about $175,000 each.

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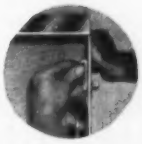

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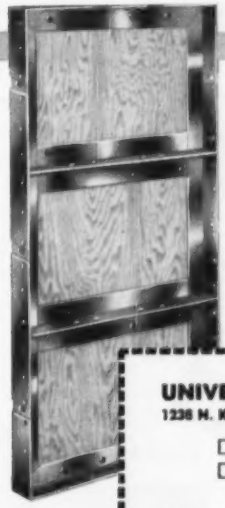

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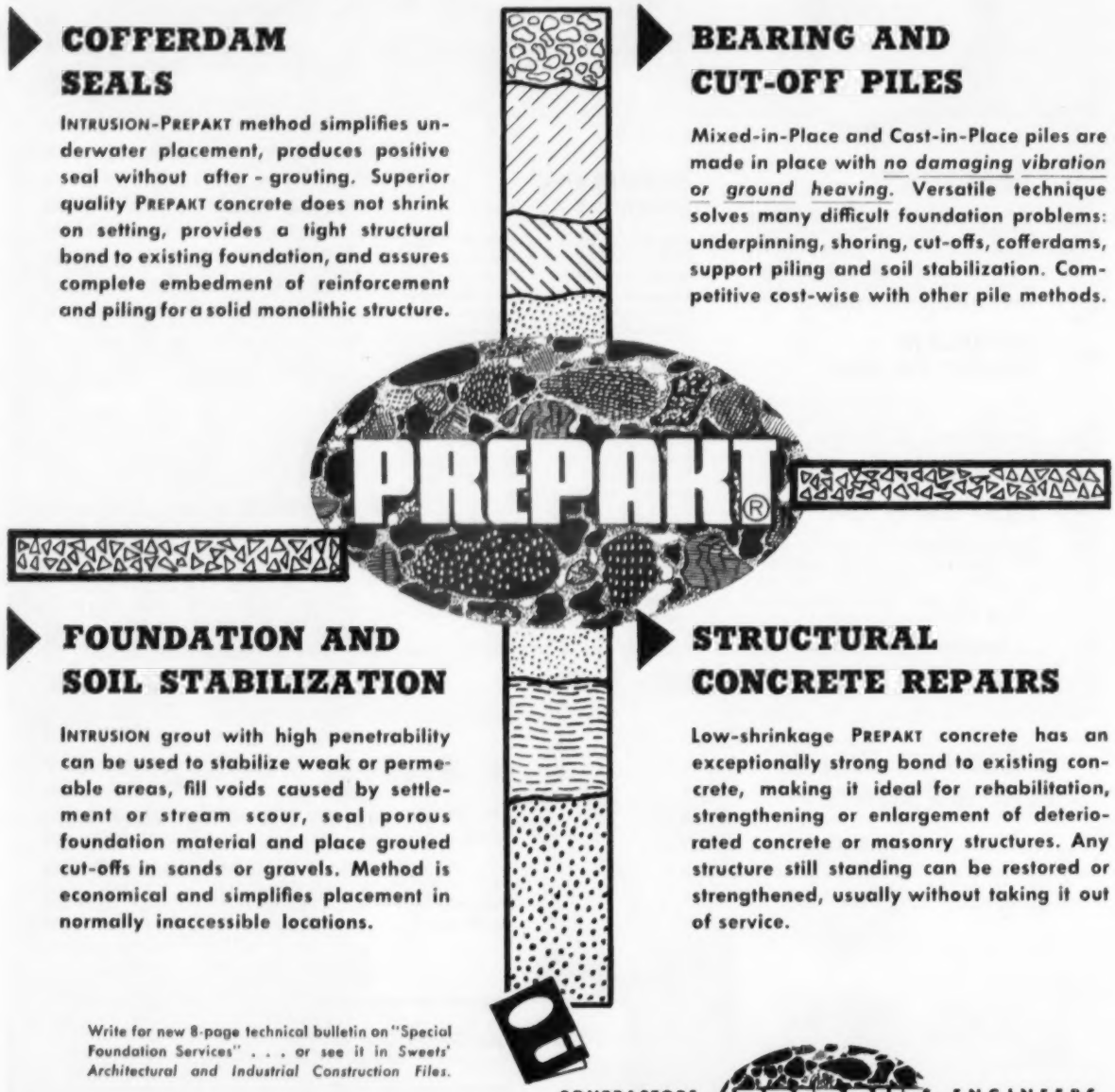

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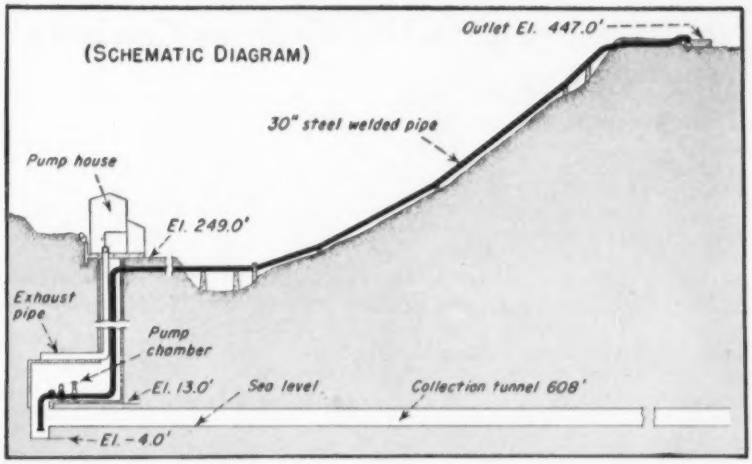

A Maui-type well, it is now . . .

Skimming Fresh Water Off Salt

Fresh groundwater floats on salt water under Oahu, just as it does under other relatively small islands, in Hawaii or elsewhere in the oceans. And in Hawaii, a horizontal water collection tunnel has been developed to skim off this fresh water without unduly depressing it. This collection tunnel is called a Maui type well, for the Hawaiian island of Maui where it originated.

Such a well has just been completed to develop an additional 15 mgd for a 10,000-acre sugar plantation on the northwest shore of Oahu. It is a 608-ft horizontal collection tunnel drilled at sea level from a vertical shaft. And the groundwater conditions under which it had to be drilled would have been just about unbearable in a tunnel for any purpose other than water collection.

This Maui well was completed for the Waialua Agricultural Co., Ltd., which produces some 65,000 tons of sugar a year on Oahu and needs a ton of water for every pound of sugar. The company's civil engineer, Joseph Matson, Jr., who has worked in the islands since 1930, describes the tunneling operation:

"Imagine drilling a hole into the tunnel face . . . pulling out to change drills or rod lengths, and having a hose turned into your face! Yes, the water would squirt right out of the drill hole! Then try and fill that hole with dynamite and keep it in place till you could get a dozen other similar holes loaded, connections made and get back to the surface before setting off the blast! Toward the end it took three men to push the empty mine car back into the tunnel against the flow of 34 cu ft of water per sec. The track had to be elevated on stilts above the tunnel floor. Yes—we had water!"

Constructing the skimming tunnel was truly tunneling in water. It is a 9-ft wide by 7-ft high section cut at sea level and entirely below groundwater in porous volcanic rock with uneven strata and occasional cinder pockets. The unlined bore was pushed out from a 250-ft deep vertical shaft dug from ground level to sea level.

Digging went through interspersed layers of cinders, volcanic ash, lava "boulders", hard blue rock and soft porous rock in a helter-skelter arrangement mixed up by faults from earthquakes and beds of weathered material. Substantial lining of the shaft was necessary; a reinforced concrete lining of rigid frame design was used.

Shaft lining proceeded from the top as the shaft deepened. Excavation was never allowed to get more than 28 ft below the lining. Each 12-ft increment of concrete lining was supported by indentations into the sides where solid ledges were found. Inside shaft dimensions are 9x11 ft.

Within the shaft had to be placed a 30-in. dia water pipeline and a 36-in. permanent ventilation pipe for the pump chamber below.

At the bottom of the shaft a pump room was excavated 32 ft by 40 ft and 18 ft high, with floor elevation 13 ft above sea level or 2.5 ft above the normal water table level. The roof and inside walls of this chamber were concreted before excavation went down to sea level. Then a sump for the pump suction line was dug before work on the skimming tunnel started. Two permanent pumps were installed, and later a third pump, giving a total capacity during construction of nearly 22 mgd.

Ocean-island groundwater geology is fairly well understood. The island is sort of a sponge where ocean salt water can seep in sideways, and fresh rainwater can percolate down from the top. The fresh water body assumes the shape of a lens, increasing in thickness with distance inland.

For every foot above sea level that the fresh water table is encountered, there is nearly 40 ft of fresh water below sea level. Thus, if the water table is found at 5 ft above sea level, there would be nearly 200 ft of fresh water below sea level. This being the case, the underlying salt ocean water rises at a rate 40 times the amount the fresh water table is dropped above sea level. Many of the original vertical type wells have gone "bad" because of this. The Maui type well, never getting below sea level, skims off fresh water with no possible chance of ever getting salty.

New Products

New Scraper Line Has Greater Capacity

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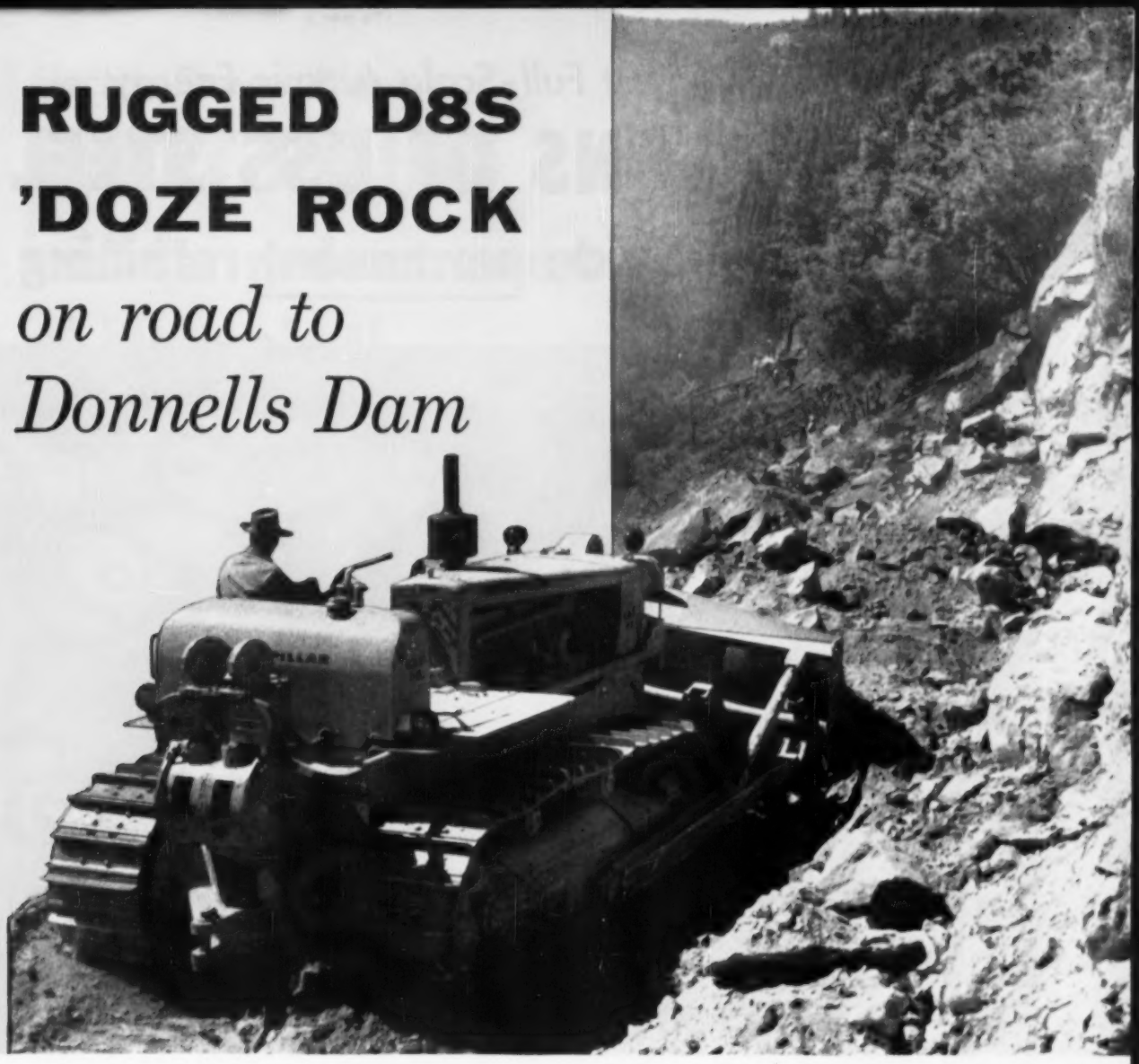
on road to Donnells Dam



In rough mountain country above Strawberry, California, Tri-Dam Constructors are preparing for the $32,000,000 job of building Donnells Dam.

One of the first requirements is an 8-mile, 24-foot contour road leading up to the dam site and permanent camp. And most of the roadway has to be blasted out of steep granite slopes like the one pictured. Handling shot rock on locations like this takes tough equipment. That's why Tri-Dam is using CAT* D8 Tractors with No. 8S Bulldozers. There are 9 of them working on the project.

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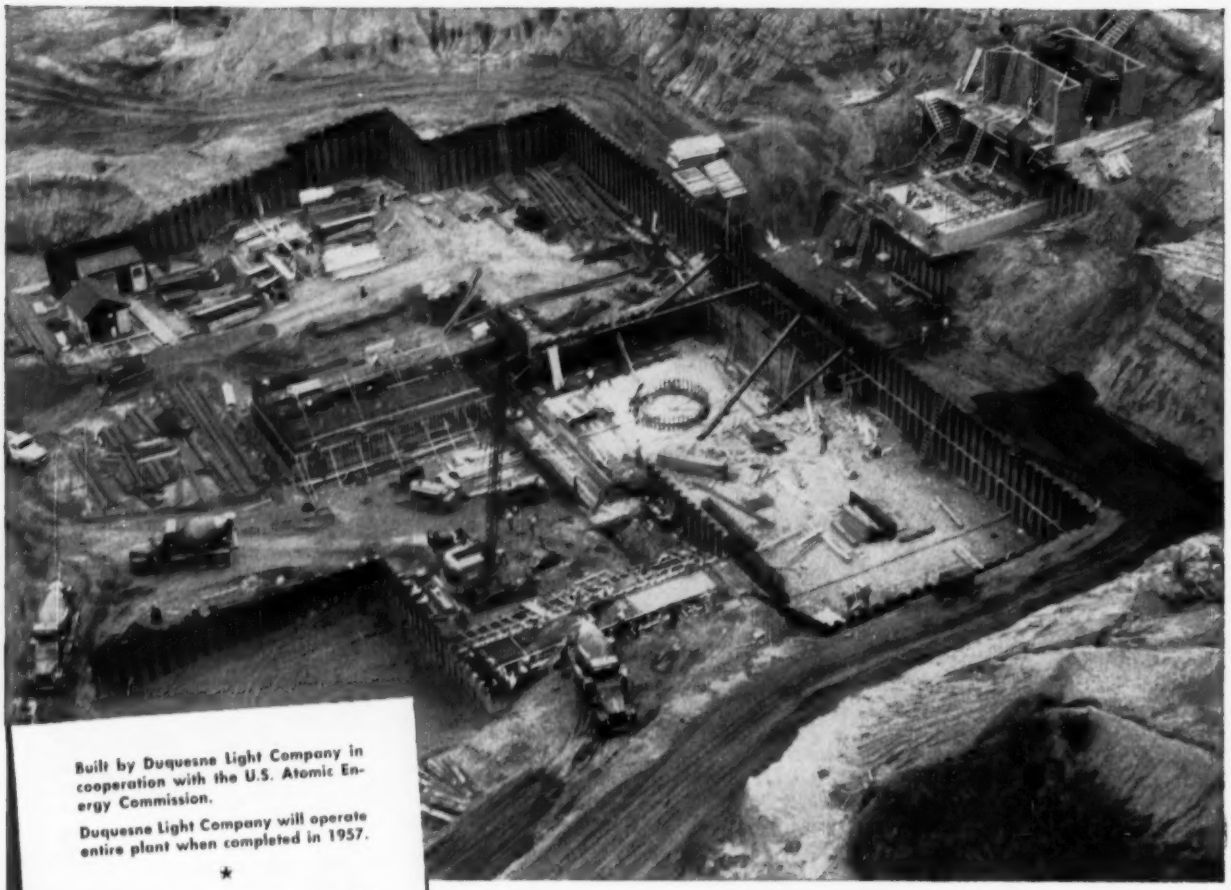

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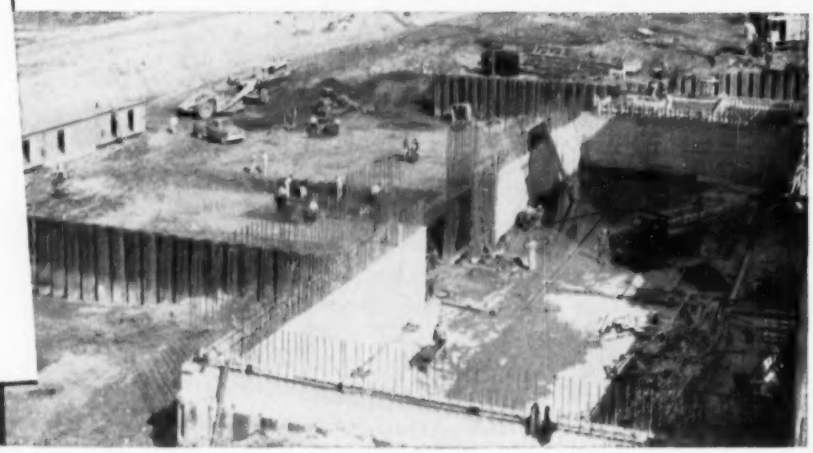

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THE LARGE PICTURE at the left shows the foundation construction for the nation's first full-scale nuclear power plant.

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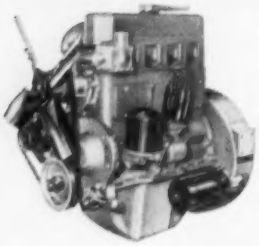

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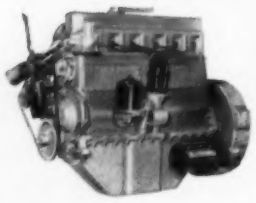

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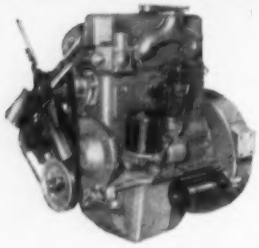

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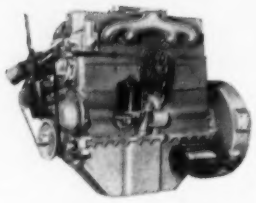
Model	Max. H.P.
D.D. 173	50 @ 2000 R.P.M.
D.D. 198	57 @ 2000 R.P.M.
D.D. 226	65 @ 2000 R.P.M.

D.D. 6 CYL.

Model	Max. H.P.
D.D. 260	75 @ 2000 R.P.M.
D.D. 298	85 @ 2000 R.P.M.
D.D. 339	99 @ 2000 R.P.M.



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Additions – to the extensive line of **Hercules Engines**

With the addition of these four new series consisting of 12 models, the Hercules Motors Corporation has increased its line of engine sizes and types to better serve the varied needs of the many industries which require gasoline and diesel engines for their power requirements. This expansion of the Hercules line will enable manufacturers of end products to have a wider selection of engines and power units to meet individual requirements, all available from one dependable source.

Mounting dimensions of the new G.O. gasoline and D.D. diesel four cylinder engines are the same. The G.O. gasoline and D.D. diesel six cylinder engines are also interchangeable from the standpoint of mounting dimensions. Since this new series consists of parallel lines of gasoline and diesel engines, they can be used interchangeably, if desired, in any end product within the recommended engine speed ranges. Further, these engines can be built with manifolds and accessory equipment on either side, as the cylinder blocks are symmetrical and can be turned end for end.

Another important feature of these new models is the great number of parts which are interchangeable between the fours and sixes, and also, between the gasoline and diesel. This greatly simplifies the parts and service requirements. The only essential differences between these gasoline and diesel engines are cylinder heads, manifolds, pistons and fuel handling equipment.

Further information on the G.O. and D.D. series may be obtained by writing the factory.

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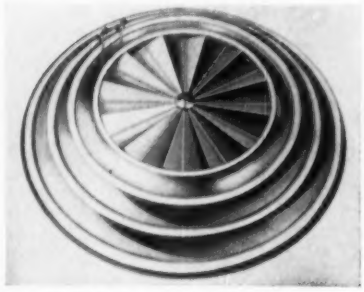

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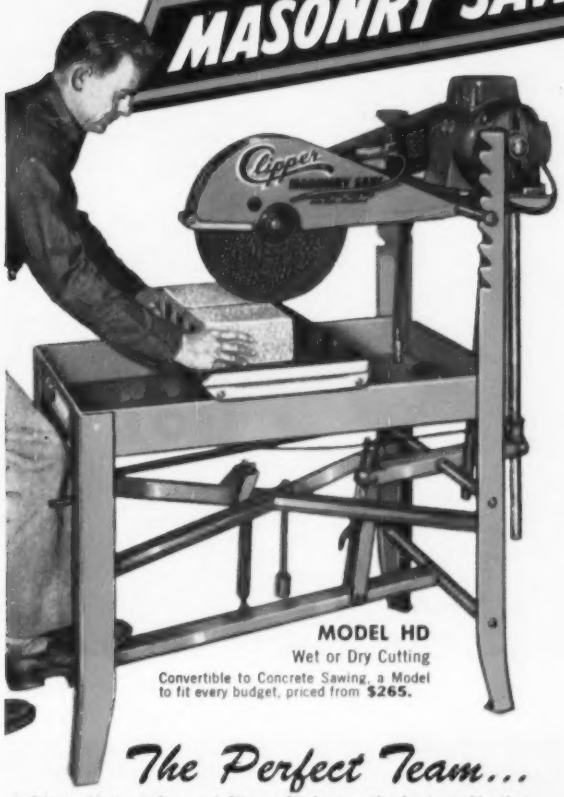

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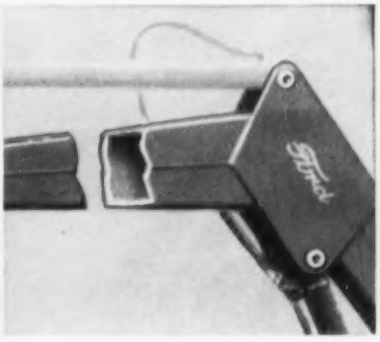

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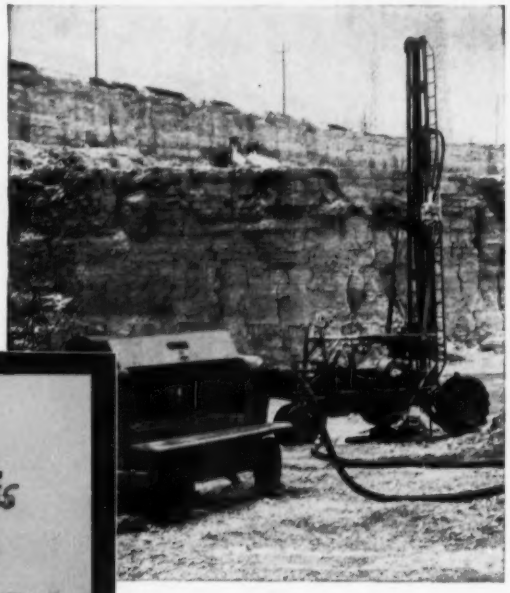

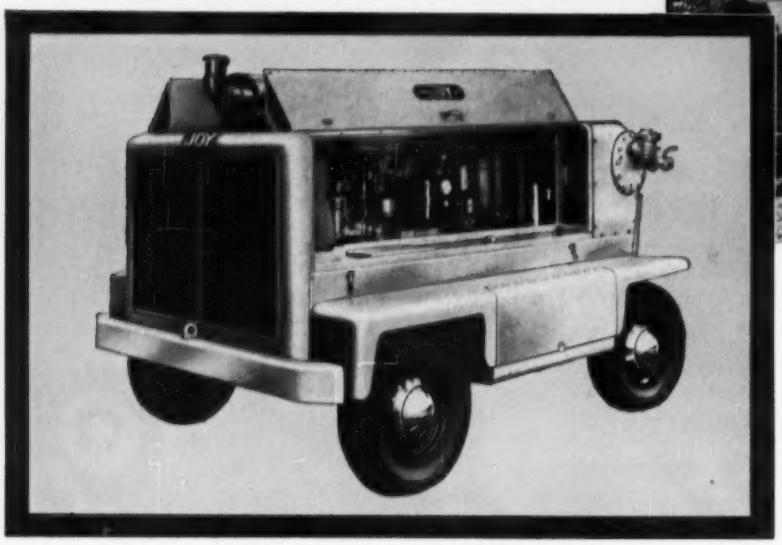

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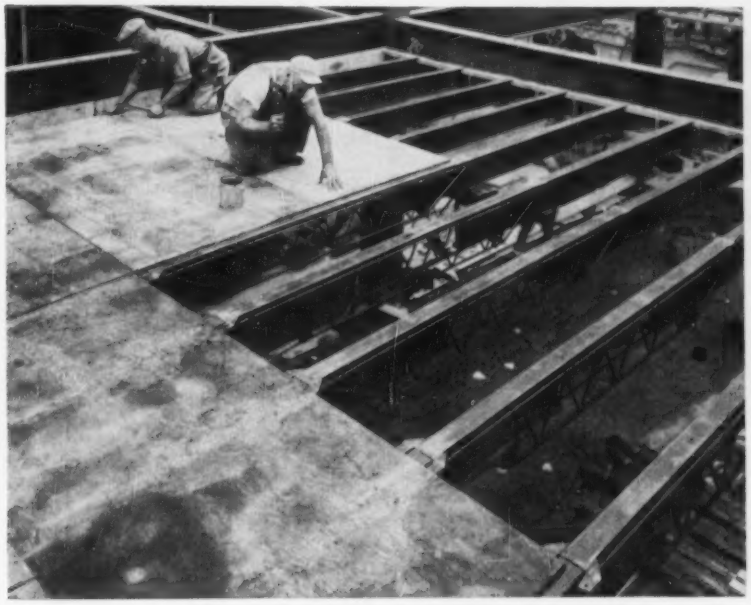

Support for Forms Adjusts Two Ways

Developed in Europe with patent applications pending in the U. S., S-L Spanall, an adjustable beam intended principally as formwork support, offers a boom to builders because of its flexibility.

The product is essentially an open-web joist that can be varied in span as well as in camber. The sections are designed to support concrete formwork in spans up to 29 ft 6 in. without intermediate shoring.

Weighing about 8 lb per ft for building construction, a typical joist consists of latticed steel end sections into which telescope a central web-plate section. In putting up formwork, it is important to have some camber in the forms to assure that the floors will be level when the concrete load is applied. With a Spanall section, this camber is set by adjusting one bolt. The amount of adjustment is given by a chart. The forms are stripped by merely loosening this adjusting screw, which relieves the stress and allows the supports to be removed.

Advantages claimed for the system are that it can reduce formwork costs by 40% or more; span lengths may be varied throughout the building without causing appreciable added expense to the builder; sections can be telescoped for storage or shipment; they can be reused for years; and there is no upkeep problem.

Standard sections vary in size from 4 ft 2 in., to 11 ft 8 in. long for the lattice sections; and from 6 ft 8 in., to 9 ft 11 in. long for the web-plate sections. Sections of any length may be assembled interchangeably to attain any desired span. Heavier sections are expected to be available in the spring of 1956 for use on bridges and tunnels. Universal Builders Supply Company, Inc., 51 East 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y.

After One-Year Field Test "Baby" Rock Drill Is on Sale

Completion of field testing and commencement of production of its SW-1 general purpose rock drill accompanied announcement by the Thor Power Tool Co., that it had also redesigned and improved its heavy-duty model BW-1, which with the alteration becomes model BW-2 in its line.

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Publications

Blacktop facts—A 36-page catalog, "Black Top Road Maintenance and Construction Equipment," covers highway and road maintenance equipment. It describes and illustrates engineered pressure distributors, supply tanks, sprayers, brooms, asphalt kettles, heater-planer, rollers and accessory tools. LITTLEFORD BROS., BOX 39-415 EAST PEARL STREET, CINCINNATI 2, OHIO.

Grader—Design, engineering, construction and performance data on the Allis-Chalmers Model D Motor Graders is given in a 16-page, two-color catalog (MS-459). Cutaways, combustion graphs and other illustrations facilitate study of the features of both the gasoline and diesel engine Model D Motor Graders. CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY DIVISION, ALLIS-CHALMERS MANUFACTURING CO., MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Concrete equipment—Catalog 560 illustrates concrete vibrators, portable concrete grinders, vibrating screeds and rotary trowels (24 to 46 in. diameter). This 16-page catalog describes the manufacturer's complete line of gasoline and universal vibrators. Included are directions on how to build your own vibratory screed beam. STOW MANUFACTURING CO., 19 SHEAR ST., BINGHAMTON, N. Y.

Sheet copper practices—52 full-page construction detail drawings and a facing page of descriptive text for each, comprise 104 of the 109 pages in the American Brass Company's publication C-1, "Modern Sheet Copper Practices." Also including suggested general specifications for sheet copper work, the book is intended as a guide for architects, specification writers and sheet metal workers. Applications dealt with include roofing, flashing, gutters, expansion joints, snowguards, and sheathing for canopies, spires and curtain walls. AMERICAN BRASS CO., WATERBURY 20, CONN.

Metal lath—"Specifications for Metal Lathing and Furring," 1956 edition, covers contact, furred and suspended ceilings; beam and column fireproofing; solid and hollow partitions; wall furring; metal lath attached to wood supports; and reinforcing for exterior stucco. One page lists fire-resistance ratings for a number of construction schemes. The 16-page booklet is by METAL LATH MFRS. ASSN., ENGINEERS BLDG., CLEVELAND 14, OHIO.

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All this is about to change. A plan has just been approved by the London County Council to build a new road system as well as a business center at this location. The development is to take place over the next five years, during which $8.4 million will be spent in acquiring 30 acres of property (to be leased largely to private developers) and an additional $1.5 million for roads.

Buildings contemplated include a 17-story office building, and a huge building that will be made to house a swimming pool, restaurant and sports center. A large pentagonal sunken area in the center of the traffic circle will be used as the location for 100-car parking lot.

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Since overpasses were deemed too costly and confusing for the maze of traffic that must be handled, the new plan chiefly provides a means of sorting out the 42 streams of traffic. The traffic circle will be located at the northern end to accommodate traffic on the three roads from the heart of the city. A smaller rotary at the southern end will take traffic coming from other directions. These two junctions will be connected by a 90-ft-wide, 8-lane highway, about 100 yd long.

Work will be done in two stages: (1) Construction of the southern rotary and connecting road systems, including clearing the eastern part of the site, and (2) the remainder of the project. It is hoped to start the second stage by 1957, with the first stage beginning this summer.

Paris to Repeat Exhibition Of Building, Public Works

Paris' second International Building and Public Works Exhibition, a display of construction materials, equipment and methods, will run from June 16 through June 28, 1956.

Open to manufacturers, builders and contractors of all nations, the exhibit is designed to attract world-wide patronage of architects, engineers, contractors, municipal officials, and other individuals and organizations with an interest in the building industry.

Sections of the exhibition include contractors' and public works equipment, building materials, housing prototypes, professional and technical equipment and information services.

Additional information may be obtained from the Commissariat General, 112 Rue de Charenton, Paris 12, France.

Rome International Airport Nears the Completion Stage

Italy's Ministry of Public Works has awarded the third construction contract on its Inter-Continental Airport project at Rome.

The $5.8-million contract—along with others to be awarded this year—will complete works needed to assure partial operation of the airport. Under the new contract a start will be made on the construction of aprons, a taxiway, connections between runways 1 and 2, and the first technical services. The job also involves installations for lighting and signaling and for drainage and canals.

Runway No. 1 already has been completed. It is 9,842 ft long, 196 ft wide, and features 393-ft safety paths on each side for instruments flying. A second runway—planned for the future—will be 5,145 ft long, 196 ft wide, and flanked by two 240-ft wide safety paths.

During 1956, contracts will be awarded for the final $22 million worth of work required for the telephone system, electric cables and electric radio-plant.

Two-Mile Monorail Line Planned in West Germany

Alweg Research Co. has announced plans to build a 2-mi long, overhead monorail line in West Germany.

The projected line, scheduled to be completed in a year, will carry freight and passengers between the Rhine towns of Stannheim and Flittard. The trains sit astride a single overhead line and reportedly can travel at a speed of 150 mph.

The line will be the company's first full-size project. Up until now, Alweg has been experimenting with a half-size model line and trains in a field outside Cologne.

Cambodian Road Contract Goes to U. S. Engineers

Cambodia has taken the second major step toward start of construction on a highway to link its capital—Pnom-Penh—with a new deep seaport on the Gulf of Siam.

Michael Baker, Jr., Inc., Rochester, Pa., has been awarded a $703,000 engineering contract on the road project. Under the contract the firm will supervise and inspect all construction operations needed to complete the highway. At the same time, it will train Cambodian technicians.

The U. S. through the International Cooperation Administration, has agreed to provide about $15 million to build the road. The port is being constructed by France.

Two-thirds of the highway route will run over existing roads that are now in various stages of repair. One-third will follow present trails or paths through mountainous and jungle terrain.

The first phase of the project got under way last year, when ICA financed a $19,000 reconnaissance survey by the New York City firm of Brown & Blauvelt. The third and final step in the project—awarding a construction contract to a U. S. firm—is expected to take place sometime next month.

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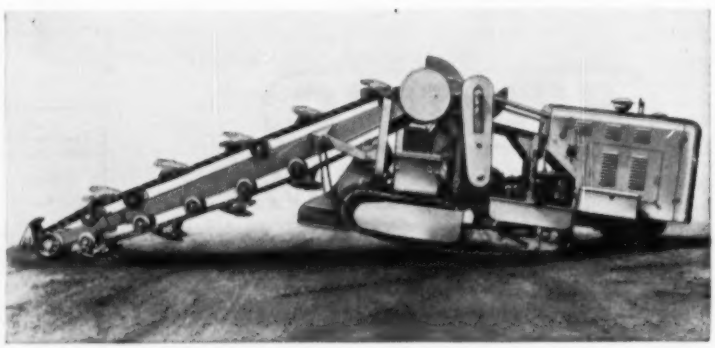

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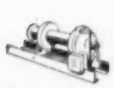

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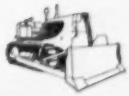

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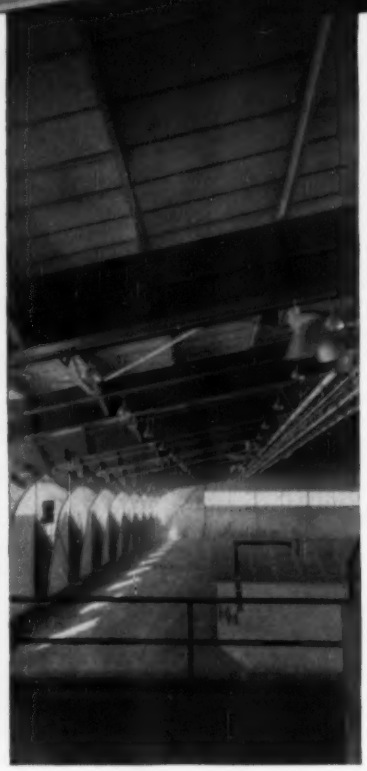

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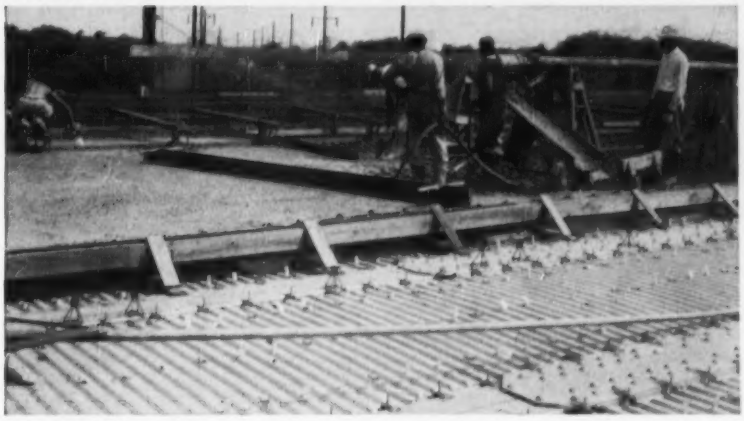

SOLUTION: Use corrugated metal forms left in place to eliminate stripping.

Where Metal Forms Saved the Day

The main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad between New York City and Philadelphia is a tough place to bridge. Here, along five sets of electrified tracks, 187 trains pass daily. Power is supplied to the locomotives by five sets of overhead high-voltage lines.

After the ticklish job of erecting steel girders for a four-span highway bridge over the Pennsy's main line on U. S. Route 13, the builder still faced a big obstacle. He had to place a concrete deck over the high-voltage lines without endangering the railroad and the bridge crew. Train speed at this point is 80 mph.

The solution decided upon was to use for the bridge deck corrugated steel forms that could be left in place. This eliminated shoring and the hazardous task of stripping. It also made it unnecessary to install security nets.

Preliminary load tests made on the site with these forms met with the approval of the owner—the Pennsylvania State Highway Department, and also the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The forms, of galvanized steel corrugated trapezoidally, were placed between the top flanges of the girders in sheet widths of 24 in. and were clamped to the underside of the top flanges. For added safety, the clamps were then welded to the girders. At form joints, the sections were lapped at the edges and locked in place with wedge and clip fasteners.

Contract for the bridge was awarded to C. J. Langenfelder & Son, Baltitmore, Md., who erected the formwork in collaboration with David Goldberg & Sons. The corrugated forms were designed and manufactured by United Steel Fabricators Inc., Wooster, Ohio. Chief engineer of Bridges, Pennsylvania State Highway Department is L. A. Porter, and chief engineer of Bridges and Buildings, Eastern Division, Penn. RR, is W. G. Kemmerer. N. A. Yoe was Langenfelder's superintendent of bridge construction.

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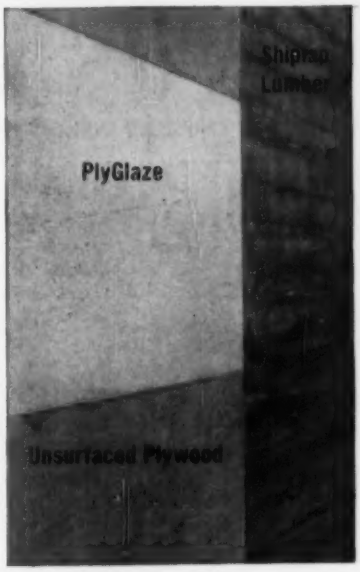

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Tractor Winch Eases Trucks on Slope

A rock blanket is being placed on the upstream face of the Missouri River's Oahe Dam from rear-dump trucks that must be reeled back up the slope after being emptied.

A 5-ft thick rock protection against wave action is being placed in three courses. The bottom layer is a 1-ft filter blanket of sand and gravel. On this is a 1-ft covering of spalls, rock 2 to 6 in. in diameter. These layers are topped with a 3-ft layer of riprap.

To get a truckload of material safely down the 33-degree slope, then get the empty truck back again, the truck is hooked to the winch of a crawler tractor on the crest. Cable is unreeled to ease the truck (35,000 lb loaded) down the slope. Reeling in helps the empty truck back up slope.

The work is being done by the Missouri Basin Construction Co. of Mitchell, S. D., subcontractor for Lytle & Green Construction Companies, a joint venture for stage 3 earthwork of this major Army Engineer project near Pierre, S. D.

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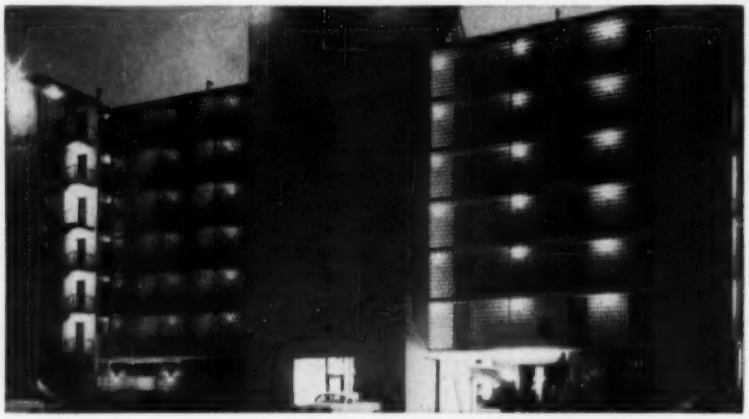

Flue Linings Find New Role

Clay flue linings—used for years in chimneys of houses and buildings—have found another use as building exteriors. The new six-story Pan American Motel in New Orleans (photos) has 15,000 6-in. sections of such lining.

Linings are 8½-in. square and are separated by ½ in. of mortar. The noval wall is held by steel angles at the top and bottom of each floor.

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Developed by H. C. Gale, a Harrisburg, Pa., contractor at a cost of about $100, this blade is claimed to be tops for home development projects. Made of ¾-in. steel plate, 28 in. wide with a 15-degree forward angle, the blade is said to cut a uniform curb-footing trench running about 22 in. in depth.

Drawings for the Blind—Here's How

Drawings so clear that a blind man can read them; this was the requirement put before an architectural-engineering firm of St. Paul, Minn., engaged to prepare plans and models for expansion of a home for the blind.

In drawing up plans for the $400,000 expansion of the Minnesota Organization of Blind, Inc., Robert Snow of Haarstick Lundgren and Associates, Inc. solved the problem thus:

The project was begun by drawing up a standard set of plans. Prints of the drawings were made and mounted on illustration board. Then, drafting tape was cut into strips the width of the walls and applied in several layers along the wall outlines. This produced, in effect, a Braille edition of the plans. To enable the blind to tell the difference between existing buildings and proposed ones, textured acetate sheets—cut to outline—were pasted on those areas of the plans that were new construction.

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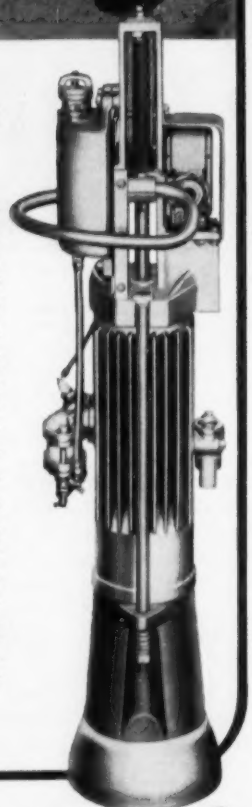

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information about the specific rooms, large-scale plans were drawn of an individual room, and various fabrics used to identify beds, chairs, other furniture and furnishings.

In addition, a three-dimensional contour model was built of the site with miniatures of the existing and proposed structures. Braille labels, made by the blind themselves, were pasted on the model and plans, to identify various features.

Mrs. Eleanor Harrison, president of the blind organization, is shown with Robert Snow examining the model.

A Parachute Harness Goes to the Rescue

A parachute harness is used by City Light crews at Tacoma, Wash., in a new procedure developed to rescue a stricken man from one of the downtown underground vaults, in case of accident.

In most cases the first step in aiding the "victim" is to restore normal breathing by the application of artificial respiration before any attempt is made to move him.

The moving job, in which the man must be in an upright position to pass through the manhole opening, must be a fast one. The patient is fitted with a parachute harness which then is hooked to a rope suspended from a block and tackle attached to a ladder A frame. Crew members then lift their fellow workman onto a stretcher for transfer to the hospital. The operation takes about 30 seconds to complete.

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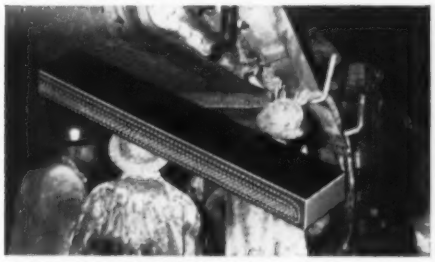

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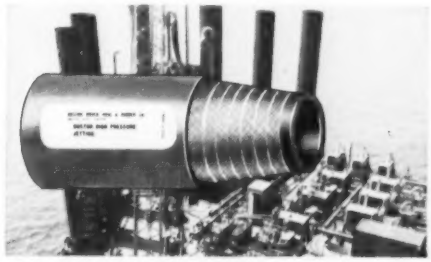

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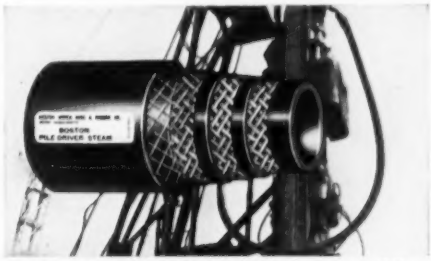

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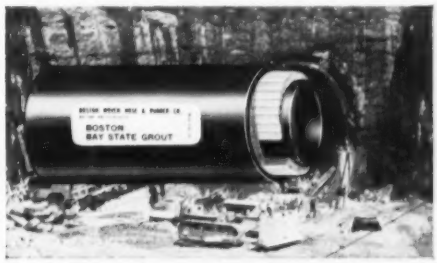

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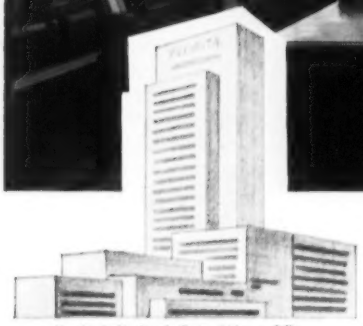

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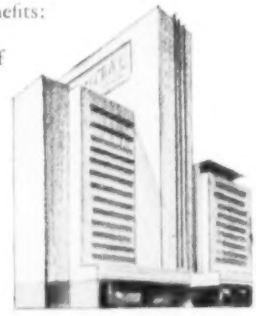

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Hydraulic Problems of Record-High Lock

The 100-ft single-lift lock planned for Wilson Dam by the Tennessee Valley Authority presents some knotty hydraulic problems that will be worked out in model studies at TVA's laboratory in Norris, Tennessee.

Before a lock, planned as the world's largest, can be built to replace four obsolete lifts at the Muscle Shoals (Ala.) dam, a $\frac{1}{24}$th scale model will be built. And in the photo above, General Herbert D. Vogel and C. E. Blee discuss a test that is to help determine design of the complete scale model. The lock model will be large enough to accommodate barge models 20 ft long.

The proposed Wilson lock—now under design as well as model study—will have inside dimensions of 110-ft width and 600-ft length. It will be capable of passing more speedily and efficiently the 2,000,000 tons of shipping per year now passing Wilson Dam.

Typical of the hydraulic problems to be solved with the help of the model, the device in the photo above represents ports through which the planned lock might be filled. Size and shape of the openings can be studied and modified on such a model as this to reduce turbulence in the lock, should it prove to be excessive. Other tests to be made are expected to determine the use of the dam's sluices for filling the lock, velocities of flow through the lock, time for filling the lock, and controls of its gates and machinery.

100-Ft Bridge Will Be Tested To Close Gaps in Knowledge

A 100-ft-span steel truss bridge 16 ft high and 20 ft wide, will be built at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. for research on truss members and connections. The bridge will be supported on concrete caissons, and loading will be applied at panel points by hydraulic jacks anchored to the caissons.

The structure will be constructed of high-strength low-alloy steel joined by high-strength bolts. The researchers—members of the civil engineering department of Northwestern Technological Institute—will study the bridge by replacing one or more of the members with ordinary structural steel. In this manner, they will be able to measure the effects of load to the point of failure on the ordinary steel members. Other parts of the bridge will not be damaged.

In like manner, the connections will be studied. Here, ordinary rivets will be used at the joints that are to be investigated to failure.

The full-scale bridge is part of a $250,000 research project supported

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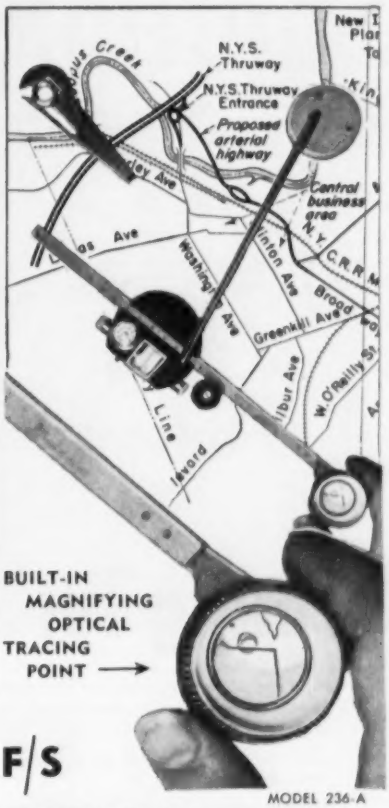

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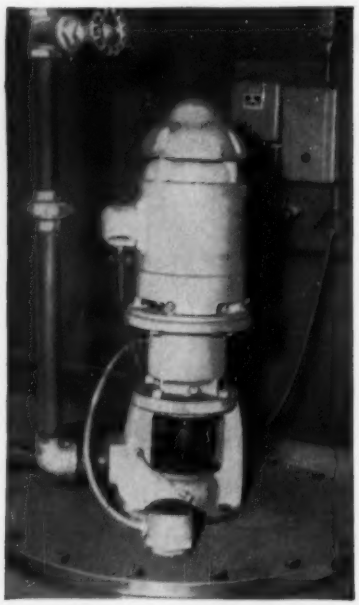

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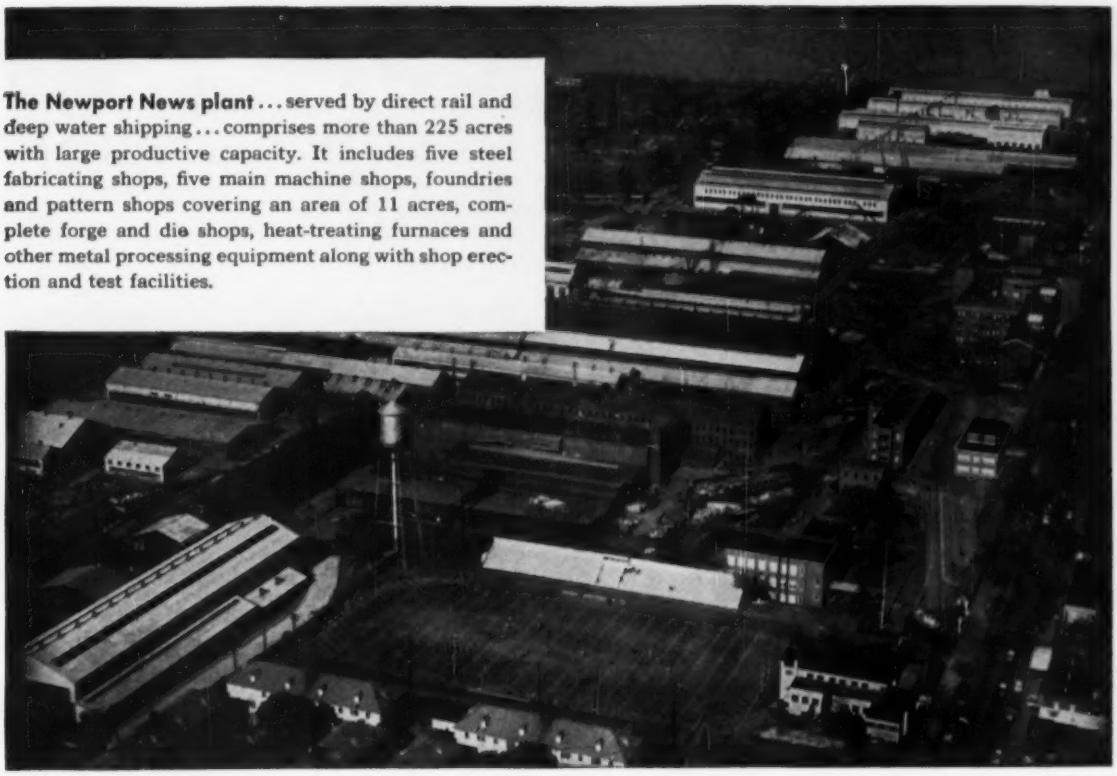
Obituaries

Frank N. Calvert, 78, Louisville, Ky., civil engineer and formerly connected with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers on Construction of dams, died Feb. 19. Prior to his retirement in 1947, Calvert served with the Kentucky highway department and the Illinois highway department.

Louis H. Haupt, 66, retired project engineer in the design division of E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Co., Wilmington, Del., died Feb. 24. He was a 1909 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, where his father, Lewis M. Haupt, was professor of engineering for 30 years.

Jean B. Jacques, 72, consulting engineer with the U. S. Army Ordnance Corps since 1950, died Feb. 23, Philadelphia. One of the pioneers of E. G. Budd Co., Jacques fabricated the first all-steel automobile body for the company in 1912.

Alexander S. Deserty, 77, retired consulting engineer who designed the Ritz Tower, New York, died Mar. 3. A native of Rome, Deserty also designed the New York State Building at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco and many other buildings throughout the United States.



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Men and Jobs

P. F. Pape

Charles DuBose

F. H. McGraw & Co. Names Two New Vice Presidents

Paul F. Pape, an engineer, and Charles DuBose, an architect, have been elected vice presidents of F. H. McGraw & Company, engineers and constructors with headquarters in Hartford, Conn.

Since joining McGraw in 1946, Pape has served as chief engineer and project manager, and will now be in charge of engineering. His work with the firm has included a four-year assignment in Paducah, Ky., on the $1 billion atomic energy plant for which

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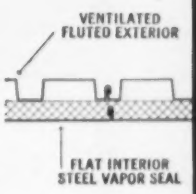

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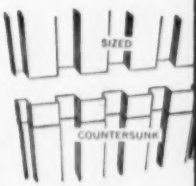

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Pape worked on military installations during the war in Newfoundland, Labrador and Greenland, as well as on the Oak Ridge atomic plant. Later, he served on a number of foreign misisons which had to do with both rehabilitation and construction programs.

DuBose, who will supervise operations of the company's Canadian subsidiary in Toronto, has been in architectural practice in the New York area since 1933. A graduate of Georgia Tech and the University of Pennsylvania, he came to the McGraw organization from Frank Grad & Sons, Newark, N. J., architectural firm.

New Highway Commissioner Appointed in Vermont

William Poeter has been appointed Vermont state highway commissioner, effective April 1. He will succeed Paul H. Gates, who plans to resume active management of his telephone and power companies at Franklin, Vt.

Before establishing his own plumbing, air conditioning and heating firm in Brandon, Vt., in 1953, Poeter spent nearly two decades in the engineering and construction field.

He started his career with P. Ballantine & Sons of New Jersey in 1933 and returned to them after the war as design project engineer. During the war, he was in the design department of M. W. Kellogg Construction Co. of New York, working in California, New York and Iran, and later went to South Africa for the company. His post-war experience has also included work as area engineer for an oil refinery in Ponca City, Okla.

William Poeter

Richard Haber Is Named State Highway Engineer

Richard A. Haber returned to the Delaware State Highway Department last week as chief engineer—a post he left in 1953 to join Michael Baker, Jr., Inc., consulting engineers in Rochester, Pa. He is simultaneously serving as chief engineer for the Interstate Highway Division, which controls the Delaware Memorial Bridge.

Intermittently associated with the department since 1936, Haber has served as laboratory technician, draftsman, design engineer and division engineer. During construction of the Delaware Memorial Bridge, he was assistant to the director of the Delaware River Crossing Department, and in 1951 became chief engineer of the highway department.

In addition to his service with the Baker firm as vice president and executive engineer, Haber has been a project engineer for General Engineers, Inc., Parksly, Va. His World War II service in the army included work on roads, airfields and docks in Alaska, the Aleutians, China, Burma and India.

Active in many professional organizations, including ASCE and AASHO, Haber has been director of both the Delaware Safety Council and the Greater Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware Development Council.

Men and Jobs Briefs . . .

• **Associations**—The Associated Builders and Contractors of Maryland elects **J. Roland Stolzenbach,** of the Roland Electrical Company, Baltimore, as president . . . **Theodore T. Pantalei,** director of public works for Anne Arundel County, Md., is named president of the County Engineers Association of Maryland.

• **Business**—The A. C. Lawrence Leather Co., Peabody, Mass., appoints **Andrew M. Ives** as chief engineer of all plants . . . Seeyle Stevenson Value & Knecht, consulting engineers located in New York, makes **Samuel C. Bast** an associate of the firm . . . **Gordon C. Snyder** rejoins W. C. Nickum & Sons, Seattle architects and engineers, as chief of design.

• **Honors**—**George C. Hanson** of Denver, engineer with Phillips, Carter, Osborn, Inc., received the highest award at the fifth annual Building Industry Conference at the University of Colorado. Hanson was cited for his outstanding work in the development of prestressed concrete.

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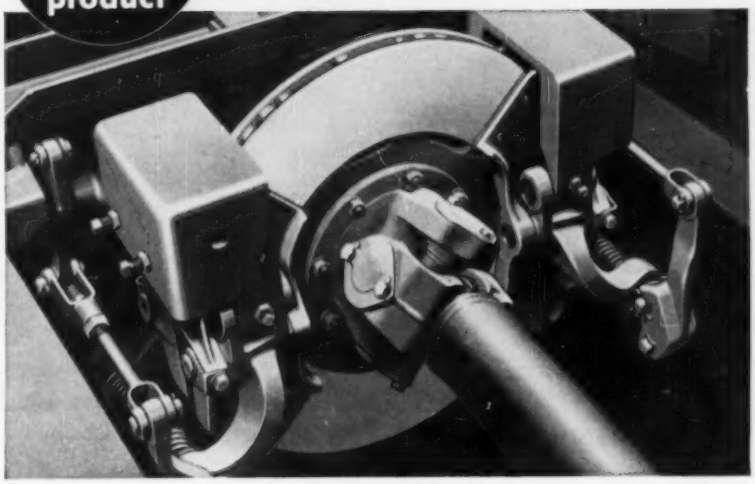

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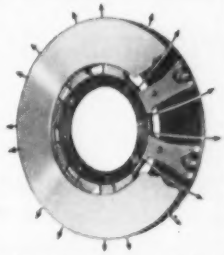

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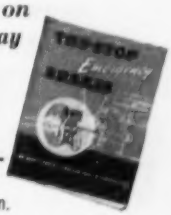

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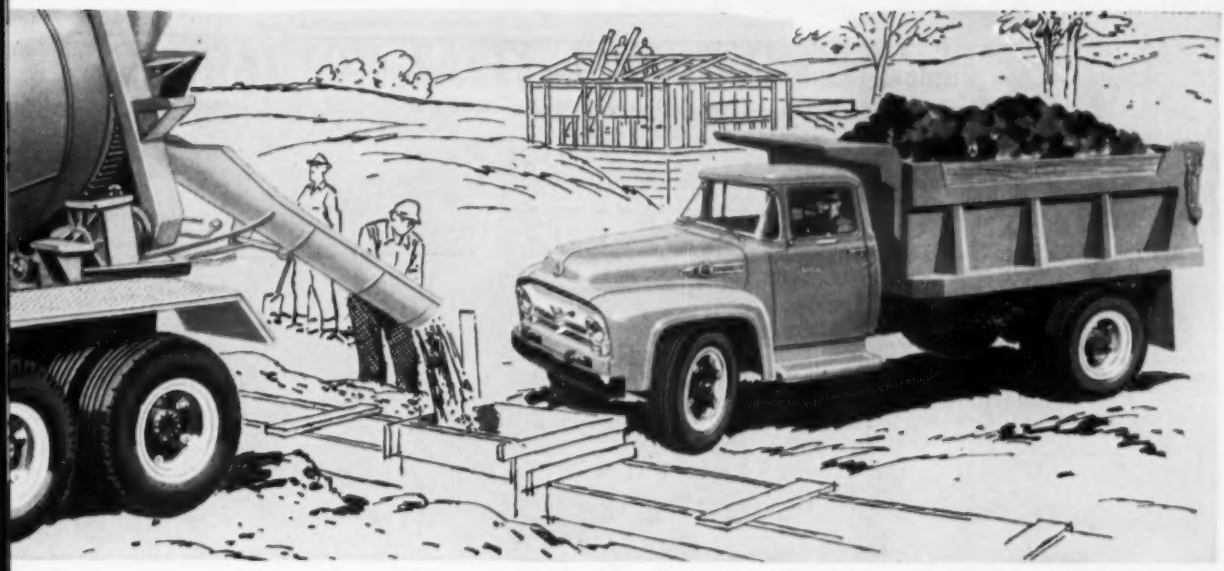

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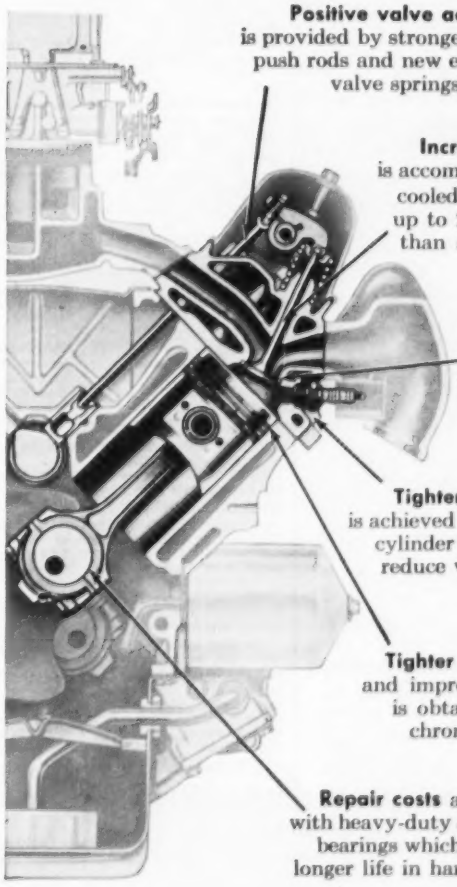

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† **Connecticut**—BA 3/20—U. S. Eng., 150 Causeway St., Boston 14, Mass., stone jetty at mouth of Patchogue River, Westbrook, Serial No. CIVENG-19-016-56-106. CD 11/9.

† **R. I., Quonset Point**—SANITARY SEWER—BA 3/20—Dist. P. Wks. Office, Bldg. 438, U. S. Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, replacement 24 in. sanitary sewer between Manhole No. 60 and Manhole No. 62 at U. S. Naval Air Station, NBy-56, NavDocks Spec. No. 56/56. Plans deposit $10.

† **Maine**—BA 3/22—U. S. Eng., 150 Causeway St., Boston 14, Mass., imprvt. dredging Hendricks Harbor, Southport, Serial No. CIVENG-19-016-56-108. CD 11/9.

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Mass., **Hingham**—SCHOOL—BA 3/29—Town Bd. Selectmen, Town Hall, Foster School addn., Downer Ave. $345,000. Plans deposit $50. Edward T. P. Walker & Theodore B. Hanna, 131 State St., Boston, archts. CD 2/23.

▲ **R. I., Coventry**—HIGH SCHOOL—BA 4/5—Town, Henry J. Cooper, supt. Schools, High School, Hopes Rd., high school, Foster Site-Anthony Area, $1,250,000. Plans deposit $100. Gardiner & Mather-Patriarca & Nye, 170 Westminster St., Providence, archts. Carl J. Malmfeldt & Assoc., 36 Pearl St., Hartford, Conn., assoc. archts. CD 6/30.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **Robert A. Verrier**, 65 Commercial St., Portland, Me., LB $4,279,353. Special AAA Facilities, Limestone, Caswell, Caribou and Conner, MAINE. U. S. Eng., 857 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass. Bids Mar. 1. CD 2/13.

MASSACHUSETTS—Commonwealth of Mass., Dpt. P. Wks., 100 Nashua St., Boston,

Peter Salvucci & Sons, Inc., 55 Pond St., Waltham, Mass. CA $728,640. hy. relocation, Route 2, F-348 (1 Orange. Bids Jan. 24. CD 1/30, under LB.

▲ **MASSACHUSETTS**—Commonwealth of Mass., Dpt. P. Wks., 100 Nashua St., Boston,

J. F. White Contg. Co., Box 202, Westwood, Mass., CA, $2,633,623, est. $2,891,738, hy. relocation Route 3, Bourne-Plymouth. Bids Jan. 14. CD 2/21, under LB.

V. F. Capaldi Constr. Inc., 63 Observatory Ave., Providence, R. I., LB $759,781, est. $750,000 sanitary sewerage sys., JOHNSTON, R. I. Town, Sanitary Dist. Comm., Town Hall, Johnston, R. I. Bids Feb. 27. CD 2/13.

▲ **CONNECTICUT**—State Hy. Comn., Hartford, Conn.—**A. J. Orlando Contg. Co.**, 151-59 Powell's Cove, Blvd., Whitestone, N. Y., and **Edenwald Contg. Co.**, 151-45 Sixth Rd., Whitestone, N. Y., CA $7,436,751. Proj. 309-02, grading, drainage, c. conc., incl. grade separation structures at Kings Hy. East and West, Meadowbrook Rd., Grasmere Ave., New England Ave. Exten., Sunset, Black Rock Aves. Structures A and B, Chambers St., Brentwood Ave. and relocated Coolidge St., Fairfield;

Conn.—**Gulf Contg. Co. Inc.**, 33-15 Lawrence St., Flushing, N. Y., CA $10,186,307. Proj. 304-02, c. conc. 7,100 lin. ft., incl. grade separations structures at Greenwich Ave. and Rippowam River, McCullogh St., South and Guernsey Sts., Atlantic St., Canal St., Hawthorne St., Elm St., Lafayette St., N. Y., N. H. and H. R. R. and Myrtle St., Stamford. Bids Feb. 6, awarded Feb. 27. CD 2/8, under LB.

▲ **CONNECTICUT**—State Hy. Comn., Hartford, Conn.—**Cauyga Foundation Corp.**, 30 Vesey St., New York, N. Y., CA $7,281,878, Proj. 310-01, c. conc. 8,482 lin. ft. incl. ramps, frontage roads, grade separation structures, State St. Exten., Fairfield, Hancock, Howard and Wordin Aves., incl. substructures for viaducts at Burr and Cherry Rds. and South Ave., Fairfield and Bridgeport;

Conn.—**Slattery Contg. Co., Inc.**, 47-36 54th Road Maspeth, N. Y., CA $7,336,147, Proj. 302-02, c. conc. 13,787 lin. ft., incl. 8 grade separations, at River Ave., James St., Delavan and Ritch Aves., Field Point, Shore Rds., Arch St. and Steamboat Rd., 2 drainage structures at Horseneck Brook in Greenwich Harbor on Field Point Rd., both Connecticut Turnpike, Greenwich. Bids Feb. 14, awarded Feb. 29. CD 2/16, under LB.

▲† **Frouge Constr. Co., Inc.**, 141 North Ave., Bridgeport, Conn., LB $1,039,520, Special AAA Facilities, Monroe and Sheldon, ENG-19-016-56-98, CONNECTICUT. U. S. Eng., 857 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass. Bids Feb. 2. CD 2/17.

† **Harmel Constructors, Inc.**, 350 5 Ave., New York, N. Y., LB $447,379, est. $250,000-$300,000 Special AAA Facilities, Fairfield, ENG-19-016-56-96, CONNECTICUT. U. S. Eng., 857 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass. Bids Feb. 28. CD 2/13.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Vara Constr., Inc.**, 718 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass., LB $1,878,000. JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, DRACUT, MASS. Town, Dracut, Mass. Bids Feb. 29. CD 2/15.

▲ **Town, School Bldg. Comn.**, Union Ave., Framingham, Mass., rejected bids Feb. 20, HIGH SCHOOL, Walnut St., LB $3,442,000, CD 2/29, under LB; rejected bids Feb. 9, Brook-Water Elementary School, LB $1,207,210. Will re-advertise. CD 2/15, under LB, FRAMINGHAM, MASS.

▲ **Grande & Son**, 175 Maplewood St., Malden, Mass. LB $1,185,630, JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Linden and Woodland Sts., HOLLISTON, MASS. Town, Fred Miller, supt. Schools, Holliston, Mass. Bids Mar. 1. CD 2/3.

Felix Buzzi & Sons, 621 Main St., Torrington, Conn., LB $660,400. two SCHOOLS, North End Park site May Rd., EAST HARTFORD, CONN. Town, School Bldg. Comn., Town Hall, East Hartford, Conn. Bids Feb. 29. CD 1/31.

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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

† **N. Y., Buffalo**—MAST INSTALLATIONS—BA 3/20—Dist. P. Wks. Office, Third Naval Dist., Federal Office Bldg., 90 Church St., New York, Zone 7, repairs to mast installations, U. S. Naval Reserve Training Center, NOY 91896 (SF). Spec. 50306 (SF).

† **N. Y., Jamestown**—MAST INSTALLATIONS—BA 3/20—Dist. P. Wks. Office, Third Naval Dist., Federal Office Bldg., 90 Church St., New York, Zone 7, repairs to mast installations, U. S. Naval Reserve Training Center, NBy 340, Spec. 340/56.

† **D. C., Wash.**—BA 3/21—Dist. P. Wks. Office, Potomac River Naval Command, Naval Gun Factory, outside water distr. addn., Marine Barracks, 8 and Eye Sts. S.E., NOY 2604. Plans deposit $25.

PROJECTS COVERED

By Size

Construction projects here reported cover the United States and Canada, are of these minimum sizes or larger: water supply, earthwork, waterways $44,000; other public works $73,000; Industrial buildings $93,000; other buildings $344,000. Also Foreign projects of $100,000 and more in size of interest to American contractors.

By Regions & Classes of Construction

(In order of Listing)

BIDS ASKED
LOW BIDDERS
CONTRACTS AWARDED

New England — **Middle West**
Middle Atlantic — **West of Mississippi**
South — **Far West**

PROPOSED WORK

Water Supply — **Public Buildings**
Sewers, Waste Disposal — **Mass Housing**
Bridges — **Commercial Buildings**
Streets & Roads — **Industrial Buildings**
Earthwork, Waterways — **Unclassified**

In These Stages

PROPOSED WORK: Before and including appointment of engineers or architects.
BIDS ASKED: BA (new announcements only). For full calendar, see also preceding issues.
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† **D. C., Wash.**—SPRINKLER SYS.—BA 3/21—Dist. P. Wks. Office, Potomac River Naval Command, Naval Gun Factory, sprinkler sys. Bldgs. 27, 49, 63 and 70, Naval Research Laboratory, NOY 88800. Plans deposit $25.

† **Md., Patuxtent River**—SPRINKLER SYSTEM—BA 3/21—Dist. P. Wks. Office, Potomac River Naval Command, Naval Gun Factory, Wash., D. C., sprinkler sys., Radar Laboratory, Naval Air Station, NOY 93297. Plans deposit $2.

New York—BA 3/27—The Power Auth. of the State of New York, 270 Broadway, New York, Zone 7, furnishing, del. 17 load center unit sub-stations and appurtenances, Spec. PA-5-14008, St. Lawrence Contr. No. P36, St. Lawrence Power Proj. Plans deposit $10. Uhl, Hall & Rich, 230 Congress St., Boston 10, Mass., engrs. CD 8/18/54.

New York—BA 4/3—The Power Auth. of the State of New York, 270 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y., rehabilitation of Massena-Taylorville Transmission line, Spec. PA-5-14033. St. Lawrence Contr. No. M3, St. Lawrence Power Proj. Plans deposit $10. Uhl, Hall & Rich, 230 Congress St., Boston 10, Mass., engrs. CD 8/18/54.

BUILDINGS—BA

N. Y., **New York**—BANK—Bids Asked—West Side Bank, 422 Avenue of the Americas, Zone 11, (selected list of builders) 2 story bank, 39-396 Avenues of Americas. $350,000. Harry P. Jaenike, 101 E. 63 St., Zone 21, archt. CD 10/17.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co.**, 17 Battery Pl., New York 4, N. Y., LB $2,287,542 (3 bidders) dredging to depth of 37 ft. below mean low water, remove approx. 467,800 cu. yd. place measurement, all material, incl. ledge rock from New York and New Jersey channels, Sect. 4, Rock Area 8, Richmond Co., N. Y., and Union Co., N. J., work site from Upper New York Bay through Kill Van Kull and Arthur Kill, alternate route through Raritan Bay and Arthur Kill, CIVENG-30-075-56-49. NEW YORK and NEW JERSEY. U. S. Eng., 111 E. 16 St., New York 3, N. Y. Bids Mar. 1. CD 2/9.

M. L. Bayard & Co., Inc., 20 and Indiana Ave., Phila., Pa. CA $760,524, manufacture and furnishing 48 intake gate hoists for Barnhart Island Power Plant in St. Lawrence River Power Proj., near Massena, Contr. No. P-34, NEW YORK. Power Auth. of the State of New York, 270 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y. Bids Feb. 23. CD 2/27, under LB.

† **Bregman Constr. Co.**, 391 E. 149 St., New York 55, N. Y. CA $864,444, Schedule I, Special AAA Facilities (FY 55) at Lloyd Harbor, ENG-30-075-56-166, NEW YORK. U. S. Eng., 111 E. 16 St., New York 3, N. Y. Bids Feb. 14. CD 2/16, under LB.

Lenmar Constr. Co., Inc., 232 Varet St., Brooklyn 6, N. Y. LB $89,109 (5 bidders) gas station on Bronx River Parkway exten., near Mace Ave., Bronx Boro, Contr. X-4-146-246-346-446, NEW YORK. N. Y. Comr. Parks, Dpt. Parks, The Arsenal Bldg., Central Park, 64 St. and Fifth Ave., New York 21, N. Y. Bids Feb. 29. CD 2/20.

S. T. G. Constr. Co., Inc., 82 Beaver St., New York 5, N. Y., LB $144,170 (5 bidders) Contr. 2898, constr. road over railroad tunnel portal at St. George Ferry Terminal, Richmond Boro, ST. GEORGE, N. Y. Comr. Marine & Aviation, Pier 1, North River, New York, N. Y. Bids Mar. 1. CD 2/23.

† **Michael Constr. Co.**, 142 19 St., Brooklyn, N. Y. CA $709,707. Special AAA Facilities, vicinity of Hanover, Morristown, NEW JERSEY. U. S. Eng., 111 E. 16 St., New York 3, N. Y. Bids Feb. 16. CD 2/20, under LB.

Bethlehem Steel Co., E. 3 St., Bethlehem, Pa., CA $607,497, purchasing 3,900 tons steel sheet piling and accessory steel for use in constr. of new $7,000,000 Pier 11, at Brooklyn-Port Authority Piers, BROOKLYN, N. Y. Port of New York Auth., 111 8th Ave., New York, N. Y. Bids 2/28. CD 2/24.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

Rudin Constr. Co., 371 E. 135 St., New York 54, N. Y. LB $649,647, (3 bidders) general constr., modernization and conversion of Junior High School 66 to an ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, Blake Ave., Osborne and Watkins Sts., BROOKLYN, N. Y. Bd. Educ., Bureau Constr., 42-15 Crescent St., Long Island City 1, N. Y. Bids Mar. 2. CD 2/13.

Serene Manor, Inc., 5208 Avenue K, Brooklyn, N. Y. Owner Builds. $458,000, 28 HOUSES, 1117-1183 E. 86 St., BROOKLYN, N. Y. Mac L. Reiser, 186 Joralemon St., Brooklyn 2, N. Y., archt.

Giulio Mariani, 2705 Wilson Ave., New York 67, N. Y. Owner Builds. $620,000, 62 HOUSES, Barkley and Huntington Aves., NEW YORK, N. Y. Michael Alfano, 43 Westchester Sq., New York 61, N. Y., archt.

▲ **Caristo Constr. Corp.**, 26 Court St., Brooklyn 2, N. Y. LB $1,937,000 (9 bidders) general constr. PUBLIC SCHOOL 111, W. 51 St. and 10 Ave., Manhattan Boro, NEW YORK, N. Y. Bd. Educ., Bureau Constr.,

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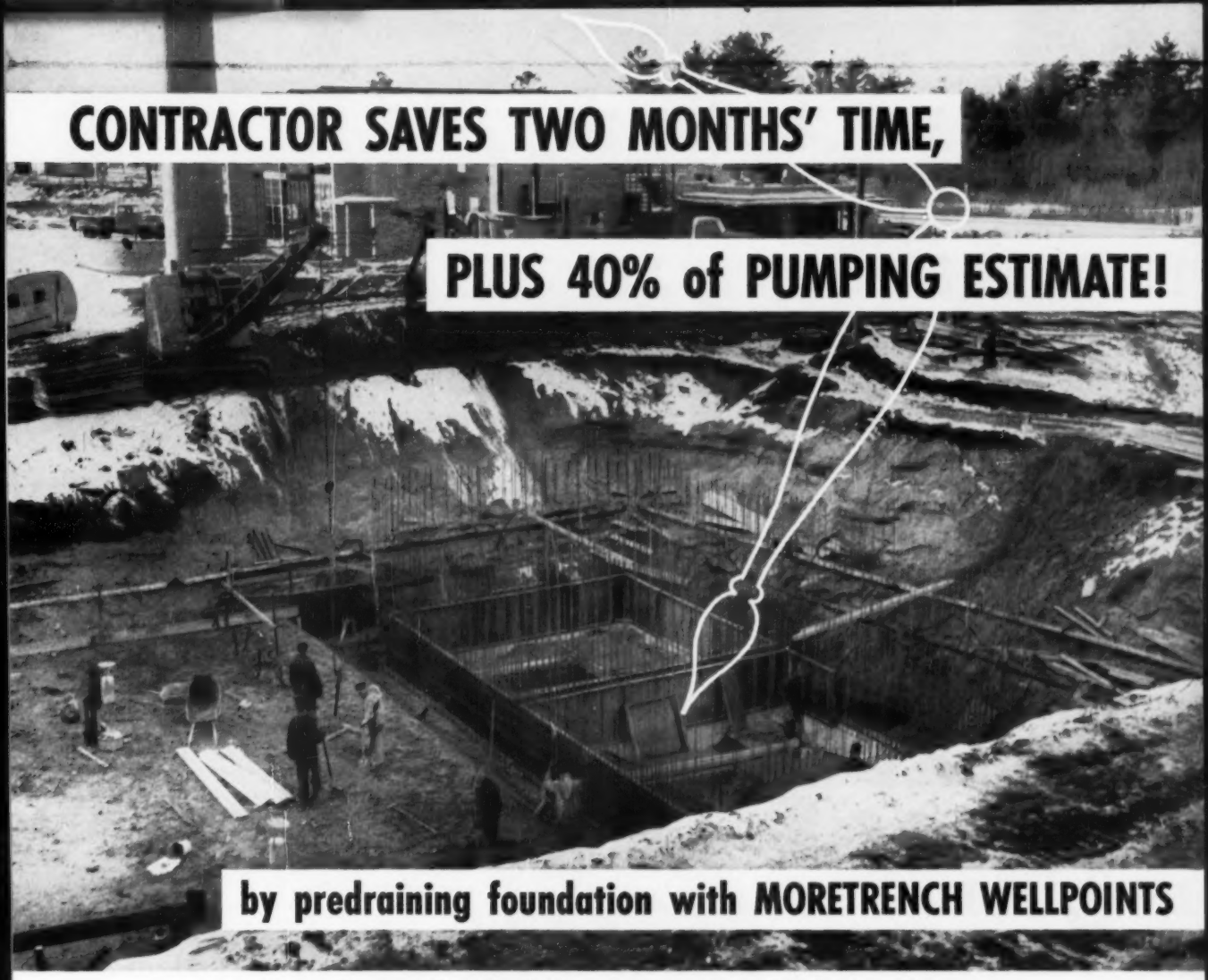

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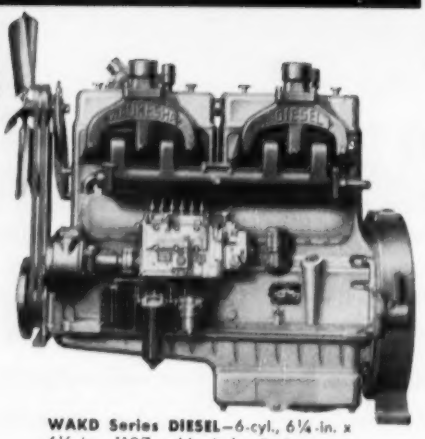

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42-15 Crescent St., Long Island City 1, N. Y. Bids Feb. 29. CD 2/6.

▲ **S. S. Silberblatt, Inc.**, 25 W. 45 St., New York 19, N. Y., CA **$8,719,100**, general constr. and foundations St. Mary's Park HOUSES, Proj. No. NYC-26, Bronx Boro, NEW YORK, N. Y. New York City Housing Auth., 299 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y. Grand total **$11,027,282**. Bids Jan. 24. CD 1/26, under LB;
Harry Starkman & Bros., 348 Brook Ave., New York 54, N. Y., CA **$657,600**, heating and ventilating (NYCHA);
Simpson Electric Corp., 71 E. 116 St., New York 29, N. Y., CA **$679,400**, electrical work (NYCHA);
Lipsky & Rosenthal, Inc., Lexington Ave. and 115 St., New York 29, N. Y., CA **$971,182**, plumbing (NYCHA).

Miele Bros. Constr. Co., Monsey, N. Y. Owner Builds. **$500,000**, 51 HOUSES, 40-acre tract, Rte. 306, to be called Hidden Velley Estates, POMONA, N. Y. John Stone Thornley, c/o owner, archt.

▲ **Lasker-Goldman Corp.**, 50 E. 42 St., New York, N. Y. LB **$3,431,000**, total est. $5,000,000. general constr. 2 story COUNTY OFFICE CENTER, RIVERHEAD, N. Y. Bd. Supervs. Suffolk Co., Court House, Riverhead, N. Y. Louis Jallade, 597 5th Ave., New York, N. Y., archt., CD 1/10;
H. T. Frye, 149-12 41 Ave., Flushing, N. Y., LB plumbing (Riverhead, N. Y.);
Gecco Electric Contg. Corp., 239 Hempstead Turnpike, Franklin Square, N. Y., LB electrical work (Riverhead, N. Y.);
Noonan Heating Co., c/o owner, LB, heating (Riverhead, N. Y.).

▲ **Fred R. Brunetti Bldg. Co.**, Washington Ave. and Lilac St., Bergenfield, N. J. Owner Builds. **$3,500,000**. 200 HOUSES on 94-acre tract at Summit Ave. and Chestnut St., west of Route 9W, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N. J.

SOUTH

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

† **Fla., Jacksonville**—ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYS.—BA 3/27—Officer in Charge of Construction, Bldg. 902, Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, electric distr. sys. repairs, Navy Fuel Depot, NOY 801, Spec. 881. Plans deposit $10.

† **Va., Fort Lee**—AIR FORCE FACILITIES—BA 3/28—U.S. Eng. foot of Front St., Norfolk, Zone 1, Air Force Facilities, 3 story rein.-con., masonry dormitory, 1 story dining hall, 2 story headquarters base unit. ENG-44-110-56-21. $500,000-$600,000.

† **Florida**—GAP FILLER FACILITIES—BA On Or About 4/10—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Zone 1, gap filler facilities (FY-55), at Bunnell, Qinter Garden and Inverness, Serial No. ENG-08-123-56-52.

Tenn., Knoxville—BA 4/11—City, R. I. Gentry, dir. P. Service, City Hall Park, constr. Riverfront-Willow Avenue Redevelopment Proj., Div. "A", Flood Control Works and Sanitary Sewer readjustments. Plans deposit $25. adv. ENR 3/15. CD 11/25/53.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Va., Norfolk**—HOSPITAL—BA 4/4—DePaul Hospital, Granby and Kingsley Lane, 3 story wing to present hospital. $1,000,000. J. Gerald Phelan, 211 State St., Bridgeport, Conn. and T. David FitzGibbon, Royster Bldg., archts. CD 3/3/55.

BUILDINGS—SLC

▲ **Ala., Montgomery** — SHOPPING CENTER — James Flowers, Representing Owner, 158 Less St., soon lets contract shopping center $3,000,000. Pierre, Ghent & Assocs., 1836 Jefferson Pl., Wash., D. C., and Pearson, Tittle & Narrows, First National Bank Bldg, archts. CD 8/31/54.

▲ **Ala., Montgomery**—COURT HOUSE—Montgomery Co., Court House, soon lets contract court house, $2,000,000. Pearson, Tittle & Narrows, First Natl. Bank Bldg., archts. CD 7/14/54.

Fla., Tampa—WAREHOUSE, etc.—Republic Carloading & Distributing Co., William R. Mote, c/o Eliot C. Fletcher, archt., 404 Marion St., soon lets contract 1 story, 185x200 ft. warehouse and 45x234 ft. terminal.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

VIRGINIA—Commonwealth of Va., Dpt. Hys., Central Hy. Office Bldg., 1221 E. Broad St., Richmond,
Va.—**McDowall & Wood, Inc.**, 1308 W. Main St., Salem, Va., LB **$82,663** (4 bidders) 190 ft. bridge, approaches Rte. 91, State Proj. 4486-01-02, Fed. Proj. S-923 (1), Smyth Co.; LB **$149,354** (4 bidders) 190 ft. bridge, approaches, Rte. 91, State Proj. 4486-05-07. Fed. Proj. S-923 (2), Smyth Co.;
Va.—**Moore Brothers**, P. O. Box 258, Verona, Va., LB **$132,343** (3 bidders) 220 ft. bridge, approaches, Rte. 80, State Proj. 5425-03-04, Fed. Proj. S-255 (2), Dickenson Co. Bids Feb. 29. CD 2/6.

VIRGINIA—Commonwealth of Va., Dpt. Hys., Central Hy. Office Bldg., 1221 E. Broad St., Richmond,
Va.—**Albert Brothers Contractors, Inc.**, P. O. Box 208, Salem, Va., LB **$251,916** (3 bidders) soil aggregate base, bit. top and two structures 2.06 mi. Rte. 726, and 621. State Proj. 1315-18-21-22, Fed. Proj. S-941 (1), Campbell Co.;
Va.—**Atlantic Bitulithic Co.**, 1400 Roseneath Rd., Richmond 21, Va., LB **$218,441** (5 bidders) b. conc. 0.78 mi. Rte. 1, State Proj. 1620-08-09. Fed. Proj. F-02-1 (1), Chesterfield Co.;
Va.—**A. B. Burton Co., Inc.**, Box 817, Lynchburg, Va., LB **$91,575** (7 bidders) soil aggregate 1.04 mi. Rtes. 766, 684. State Proj. 1305-18-20. Fed. Proj. S-929 (1), Amherst Co.;

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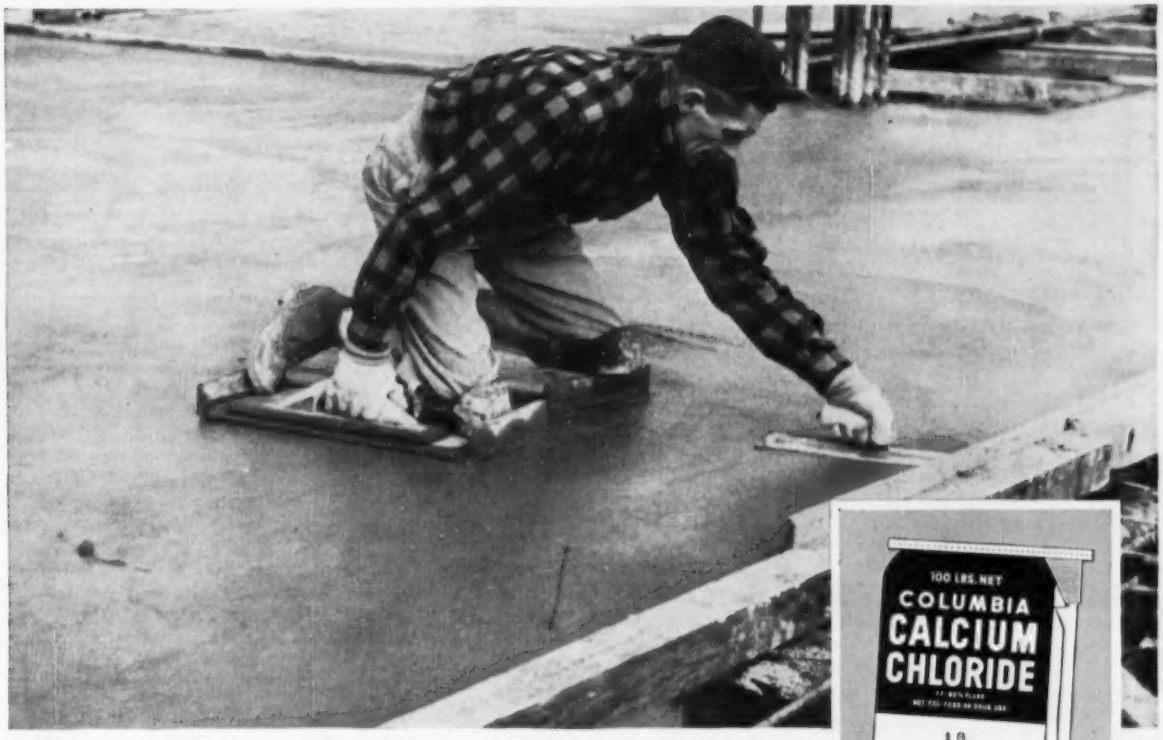

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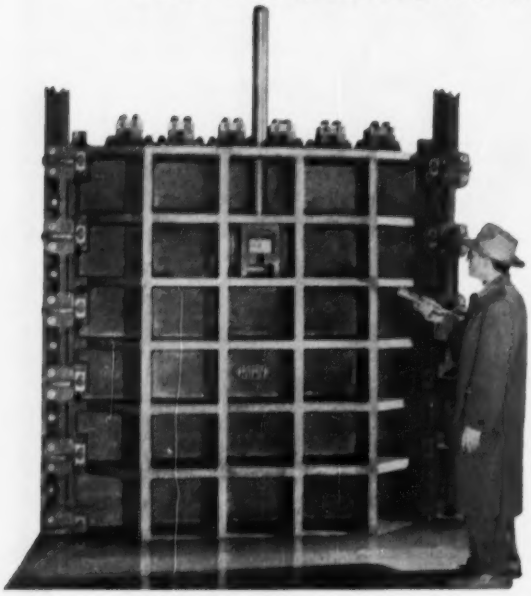

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Va.—**Sam Finley, Inc.**, Box 2389, Roanoke, Va., LB **$135,226** (4 bidders) soil aggregate base 3.88 mi. Rte. 632. State Proj. 1375-04. Fed. Proj. S-72 (2), Princess Anne Co.;

Va.—**Garrett, Moon & Pool**, Box 112, Blackstone, Va. LB **$150,290** (5 bidders) soil aggregate base, bit. surf. tr. and bridge 1.47 mi. Rtes 610, 608. State Proj. 1307-10-11, Fed. Proj. S-141 (2), Augusta Co.;

Va.—**E. W. Muller, Contr.**, 7004 Park Dr., Newport News, Va., LB **$178,987** (4 bidders) c. conc. 0.72 mi. Rtes. 168, 143, State Proj. 4894-70; 6194-71. Fed. Proj. U-122-1 (1); (3), City of Newport News. Bids Feb. 29. CD 2/6.

Capitol Pipe Line Constr. Co. & Ken. Ashby, St. Albans, W. Va., LB **$86,871**, Proj. 1, pipe line exten., Proj. 2, tunnel, WW, WILLIAMSON, W. VA. Municipal Utility Bd., City, City Hall, Williamson W. Va. Bids Feb. 20. CD 1/31.

NORTH CAROLINA—State Hy. & P. Wks. Comn., Raleigh,

McMeekin Constr. Co., Cheraw, S. C., CA **$917,866**, est. $400,000-$500,000, bridge over Inland Waterway near Wrightsville Beach on US 74 and US 76. Proj. 3535, New Hanover Co. Bids Feb. 21, awarded Feb. 28. CD 2/24, under LB.

▲† **Young Lumber Co.**, Beaufort, S. C., LB **$639,750**, five junior officers quarters and 45 married enlisted men's quarters, U. S. Naval Hospital, NOY 88327, BEAUFORT, S.C. P. Wks. Officer, Dpt. Navy, Sixth Naval Dist., Naval Base, Charleston, S. C. Bids Feb. 28, CD 2/8;

Southern Constr. Co., Inc., Daniel Field, Augusta, Ga., LB **$2,167,370**, married senior officers quarters, 21 married junior officers quarters and 77 married enlisted men's quarters, NOY 91081 (Beaufort, S. C.).

† **Southern Roadbuilders Co.**, 2312 Ada Ramp Walden Rd., Augusta, Ga., LB **$208,296**, roads and stabilized hardstands, Charleston Transportation Depot, No. 38-081-56-46, CHARLESTON, S. C. U. S. Eng., 31 Custom House, Charleston, S. C. Bids Feb. 24. CD 2/1.

▲† **Tidewater Constr. Corp.**, 538 Front St., Norfolk, Va. LB **$4,520,000**, constr. first facilities for new Naval Minecraft Base, CHARLESTON, S. C. P. Wks. Officer, Dpt. Navy, Naval Base, Charleston, S. C. Bids Feb. 28. CD 2/8.

ALABAMA—State Hy. Dpt., Montgomery,

Ala.—**Hendry Newton Co.**, Decatur, Ga., LB **$106,780**, bridge 0.077 mi. over Sauty Creek between Fyffe and Macedonia, Jackson and De Kalb Counties;

Ala.—**G. W. Norrell Constr. Co.**, Georgiana, Ala., LB **$114,681**, bridges over Swan Creek and over Piney Creek, Limestone Co. Bids Feb. 24. CD 2/14.

▲ **ALABAMA**—State Hy. Dpt., Montgomery,

Ala.—**M. A. Evans Constr. Co.**, Route 1, Wetumpka, Ala. LB **$304,673**, grading, draining 10.261 mi. Jackson Co.; LB **$85,059**, base, bit. 8.286 mi. De Kalb Co.; LB **$97,490**, bit. 0.145 mi. Jackson Co.;

Ala.—**J. W. Gwin Jr., Inc.**, Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala. LB **$484,829**, Proposal B, bit. 13.972 mi. and base and paving 13.255 mi. S-682 (3) and (4), Limestone and Madison Counties;

Ala.—**Stockbridge Stone Co.**, 2019 6 Ave. N., Birmingham, LB **$278,620**, crushing rock aggreg. for maint. and constr. on roads, Chambers Co.;

Ala.—**Newell Brothers Constr. Co.**, Hope Hull, LB **$187,319**, bit. 11.877 mi. Reeltown-Union Rd. Tallapoosa Co.

Ala.—**Hillabee Constr. Co.**, Alexander City, LB **$138,770**, base and bit. 16.521 mi. Proj. 833-4-5-6, Bullock Co.;

Ala.—**O'Dell Constr. Co.**, Montgomery, LB **$110,701**, bit. 6.857 mi. Elmore Co.;

cancelled bids to have been opened Feb. 24, Proposal "B", crushing rock aggreg. for Guntheraville-Huntsville Rd., FAPF-40, Marshall and Madison Counties. Bids Feb. 24. CD 2/14.

MISSISSIPPI—State Hy. Dpt., Jackson,

Pigford-Noblin Constr. Co., Meridian, Miss., CA, **$663,815**, est. $610,000. 690 lin. ft. bridge across Nomochitto River, U. S. Hy. 61, between Natchez and Woodville, ER-8 (1), Wilkinson Co. Bids Feb. 28, CD 2/16.

▲† **T. L. James & Co., Inc.**, Ruston, La., LB **$2,493,937**, airfield paving, lighting, Barksdale Air Force Base, Inv. 56-60, SHREVEPORT, LA. U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 867, Little Rock, Ark. Bids Feb. 23. CD 2/14.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **J. Y. Gooch Co.**, 1205 Congress Bldg., Miami, Fla., CA **$1,000,000**, 2 story DIAL TELEPHONE, SANFORD, FLA. Southern Bell Telephone Co., 1630 Lynch Bldg., Jacksonville, Fla. CD 3/25.

MIDDLE WEST

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

Mich., **St. Johns**—BA 3/22—City, A. Finch, clk., City Hall, (1), 16,400 ft. 8- to 15-in. sanitary sewers; 950 ft. 6 in. service mains, 1,000 ft. 8-in. c.i. force mains (2) sewage treatment plant. Plans deposit $20 each. R. W. Petrie & Assoc., Inc., 557 Paw Paw Ave., Benton Harbor, archts. CD 11/25.

Mich., **Leslie**—BA 3/26—Leslie Village. Kathryn Farley, clk., 107 E. Bellevue St., 10,000 ft. 8- to 15-in. vitr., rein.-con. and c.i. sewers (2) sewage treatment plant and outfall sewer. $310,000. Plans deposit $25. Ayers, Lewis, Norris & May, 500 Wolverine Bldg., Ann Arbor, archts. CD 5/13.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

City, City Hall, Cincinnati, O., rejected bids Feb. 14, Eggleston Ave. interceptor and appurtenant works, CINCINNATI, O. LB **$244,045**. CD 2/21, under LB.

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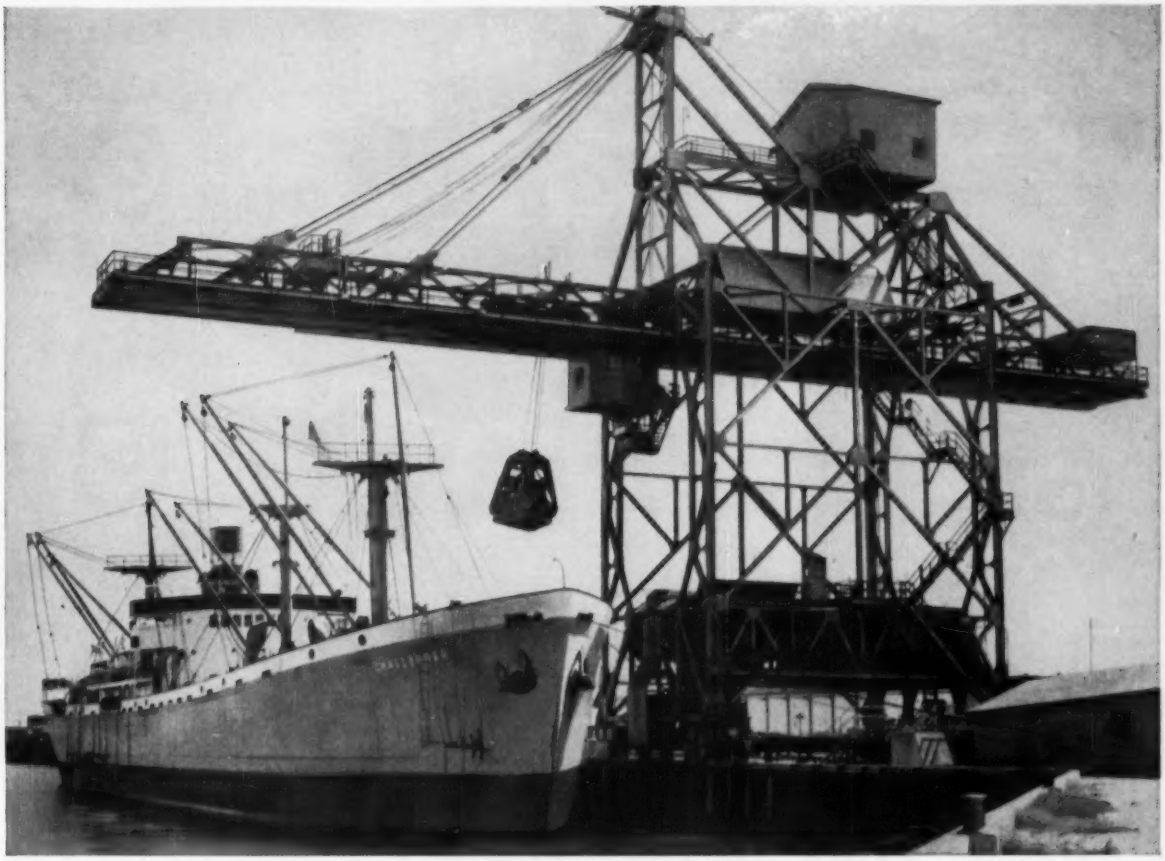

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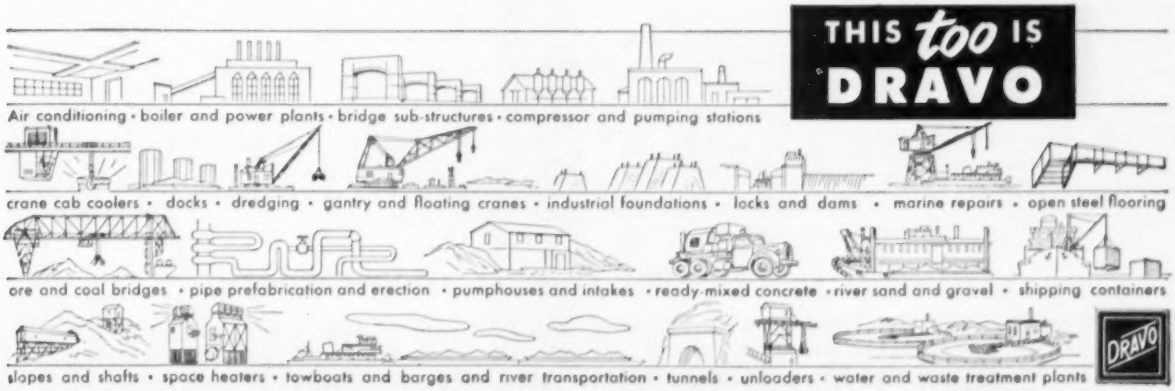
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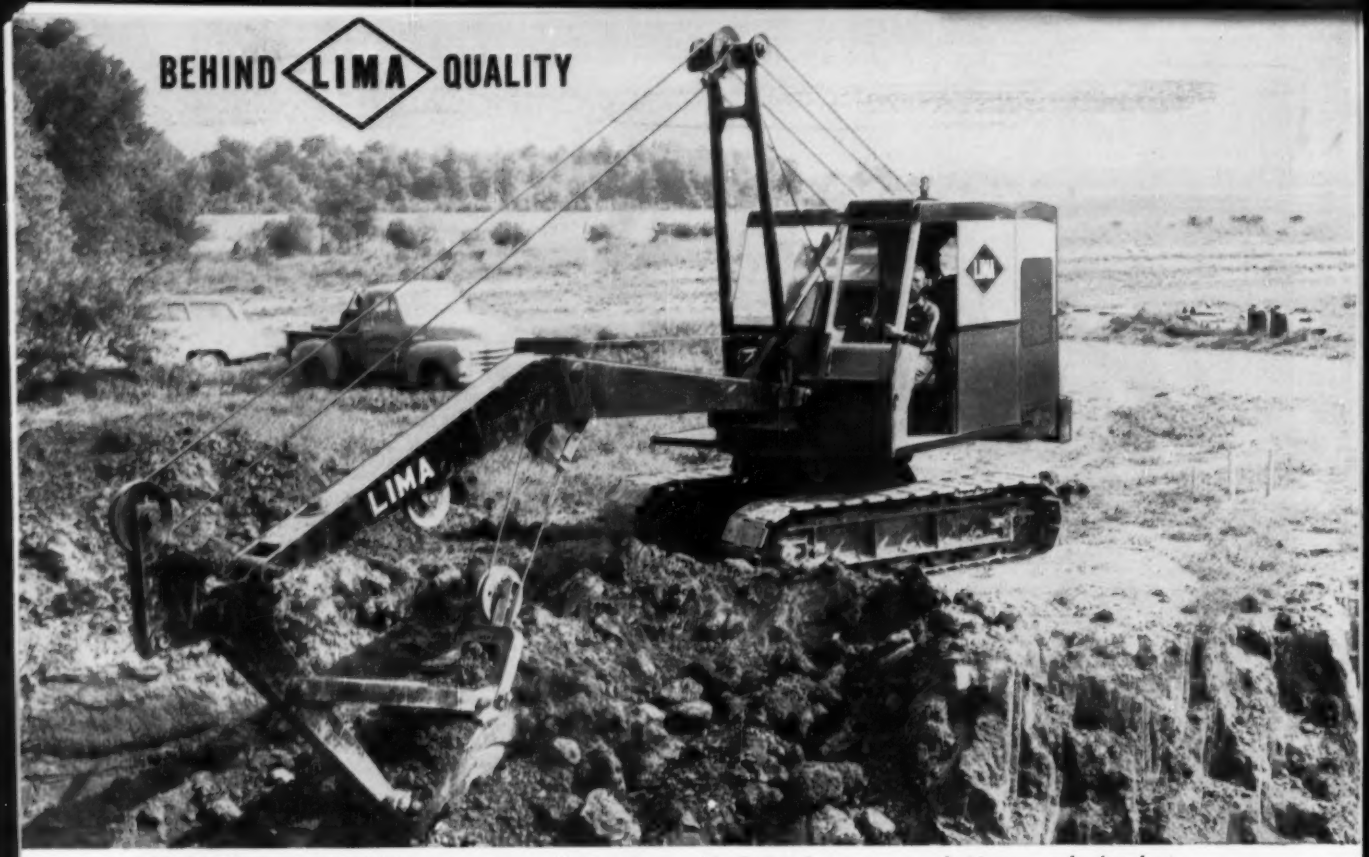

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BUILDINGS—LB & CA

William F. Demske, 1228 Majestic Bldg., Detroit 26, Mich., CA **$530,000**, CHURCH, EDUCATIONAL BLDG., Southfield and Acacia Sts., DETROIT, MICH. Calvin Presbyterian Parish, 9131 Whittier St., Detroit, Mich. CD 6/4/54.

Walter Couse & Co., 12740 Lyndon St., Detroit 27, Mich., CA **$750,000**, CEMENT PLANT, West Jefferson Ave., DETROIT, MICH. Peerless Cement Corp., 1144 Free Press Bldg., Detroit, Mich.

▲ **Sorensen-Gross Constr. Co.**, 2505 Lapeer Rd., Flint, Mich., LB **$2,978,000** general contract MUNICIPAL CENTER, incl. 6 municipal bldgs. city hall, auditorium, police bldg., courts bldg., boiler-compressor bldg., FLINT, MICH. City, City Hall, Flint, Mich. Bids Feb. 13, CD 1/6;
Lorne Plumbing & Heating Co., 641 W. Congress St., Detroit, Mich., LB **$837,520** mechanical work (Flint, Mich.);
Batzli Electric Co., Inc., 1006 Patrick St., Flint, Mich., Mich., LB **$439,944** electrical work (Flint, Mich.).

WEST OF MISSISSIPPI

BUILDINGS—BA

† **North Dakota**—AUTOTRANSFORMER—BA 3/22—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo., autotransformer for Grand Forks Sub-station, Transmission Div., Missouri River Basin Proj., Spec. DS 4623. Extended date. CD 2/7.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

† **Ideker Constr. Co.**, Mound City, Mo., LB **$48,373**, clearing Lovewell Reservoir site, Bostwick Div., Missouri River Basin Proj., near Superior, Inv. 701C-396, NEBRASKA. Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo. Bids Feb. 21. CD 6/25/44.

† **W. E. Steelman**, P.O. Box 1283, Oklahoma City, Okla. LB **$240,032**, street imprvs., Altus Air Force Base, ENG-34-066-56-45, ALTUS, OKLA. U. S. Eng., Box 61, Tulsa 2, Okla. Bids Feb. 24.

▲ **Bethlehem Steel Corp.**, Island Park, Beaumont, Tex. CA Est. **$6,750,000**. drilling platform, TEXAS. C. G. Glasscock Drilling Co., Wilson Tower, Corpus Christi, Tex.

Harris Constr. Co., 91 Detering St., Houston, Tex. CA **$77,117**, constr., asph. paving new streets, curb and gutter, HOUSTON, TEX. Melburn Corp., c/o C. W. Murray, 7603 Belgard St., Houston, Tex.

Harris Constr. Co., 91 Detering St., Houston, Tex. CA **$46,116**, bldg. site area earthwork, grading, filling, HOUSTON, TEX. Melburn Corp., c/o C. W. Murray, 7603 Belgard St., Houston, Tex.

Harris Constr. Co., 91 Detering St., Houston, Tex. CA **$78,000**, natural gas lines, HOUSTON, TEX. Melburn Corp., c/o C. W. Murray, 7603 Belgard St., Houston, Tex.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

† **Veterans Admin.**, Munitions Bldg., Wash., D. C., cancelled bids to have been opened Apr. 3, consolidation of REGIONAL OFFICE MEDICAL CLINIC with HOSPITAL, Veterans Administration Hospital, LITTLE ROCK, ARK. CD 2/15.

▲ **General Electric Co.**, 320 WOW Bldg., Omaha, Neb. CA **$3,948,939**, Spec. X-1325, turbine generator unit and major electrical equipment for GENERATING PLANT, LEXINGTON, NEB. Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation Dist., Hastings, Neb. Grand total $7,459,620. Bids Dec. 20, awarded Feb. 7. CD 2/20, under LB.
Combustion Engineering, Inc., 200 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y., CA **$2,736,942**, Spec. X-1326, steam generating unit and auxiliary equip. (Lexington, Neb.);
Foster Wheeler Corp., 160 Broadway, New York 6, N. Y., CA **$497,096**, Spec. X-1329, condensing equipment (Lexington, Neb.);
Pacific Pumps, Inc., Bickett and Slauson Sts., Huntington Park, Calif., CA **$276,643**, Spec. X-1330, boiler feed pumps (Lexington, Neb.).

Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation Dist., Hastings, Neb., rejected bids Dec. 20, Spec. X-1328, feed water heaters for GENERATING PLANT, LEXINGTON, NEB. CD 11/25.

Union College, 3800 S. 48 St., Lincoln, Neb. Owner Builds. **$550,000**. women's DORMITORY, LINCOLN, NEB. Davis & Wilson, 225 Stuart Bldg., Lincoln, Neb., archts. CD 2/4/54.

R. B. Butler, Inc., Box 471, Bryan, Tex., CA **$948,560**. DAIRY BIOCHEMISTRY BLDG. with attached CREAMERY, COLLEGE STATION, TEX. A & M College of Texas, College Station, Tex. Bids Feb. 15. CD 2/23, under LB.

Hou-Tex Peanut Co., 1105 McCall St., Houston, Tex. Own Forces. **$185,000**, peanut MILL, HOUSTON, TEX. CD 8/23/54.

Helton Boat Works, Harrisburg and Hughes Sts., Houston, Tex. Purchase and Hire. **$250,000**. BOAT PLANT, HOUSTON, TEX. CD 9/9.

FAR WEST

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

† **California**—BA 3/27—U. S. Eng., 1209 8 St., Sacramento, 227 ft. rein.-con. inlet structure thru Sacramento River levee at Elkhorn Slough, Yolo Co., CIVENG-04-167-56-52. CD 7/6.

† **California**—BA 3/27—U. S. Eng., 1209 8 St., Sacramento, grubbing, clearing 2,400 acres along Feather River in Sutter Bypass upstream to Yuba River, Sutter Co., CIVENG-04-167-56-84. $500,000. CD 7/6.

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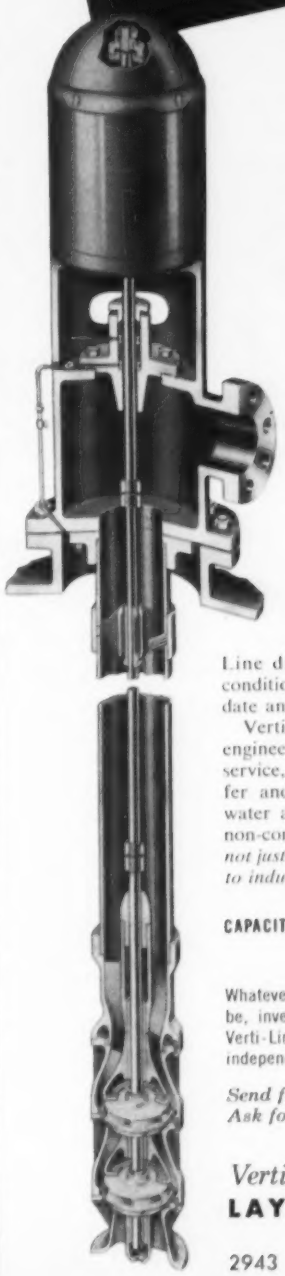

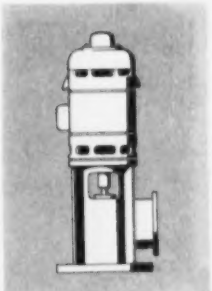

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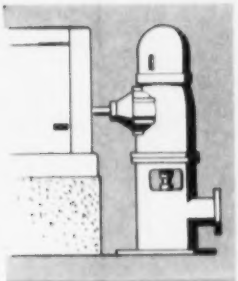

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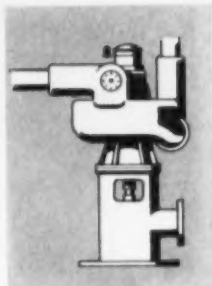

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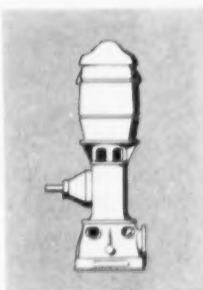

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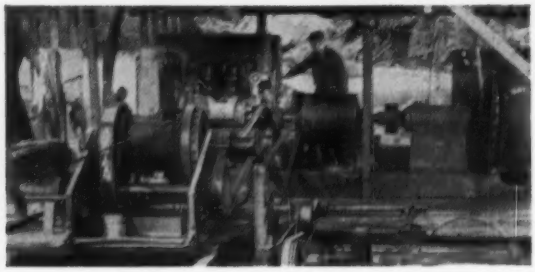

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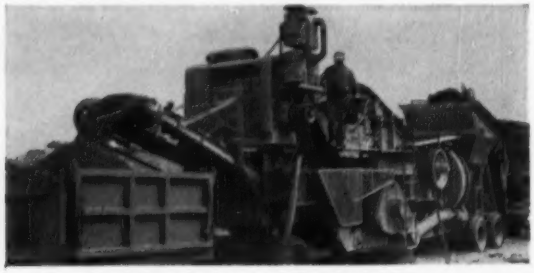

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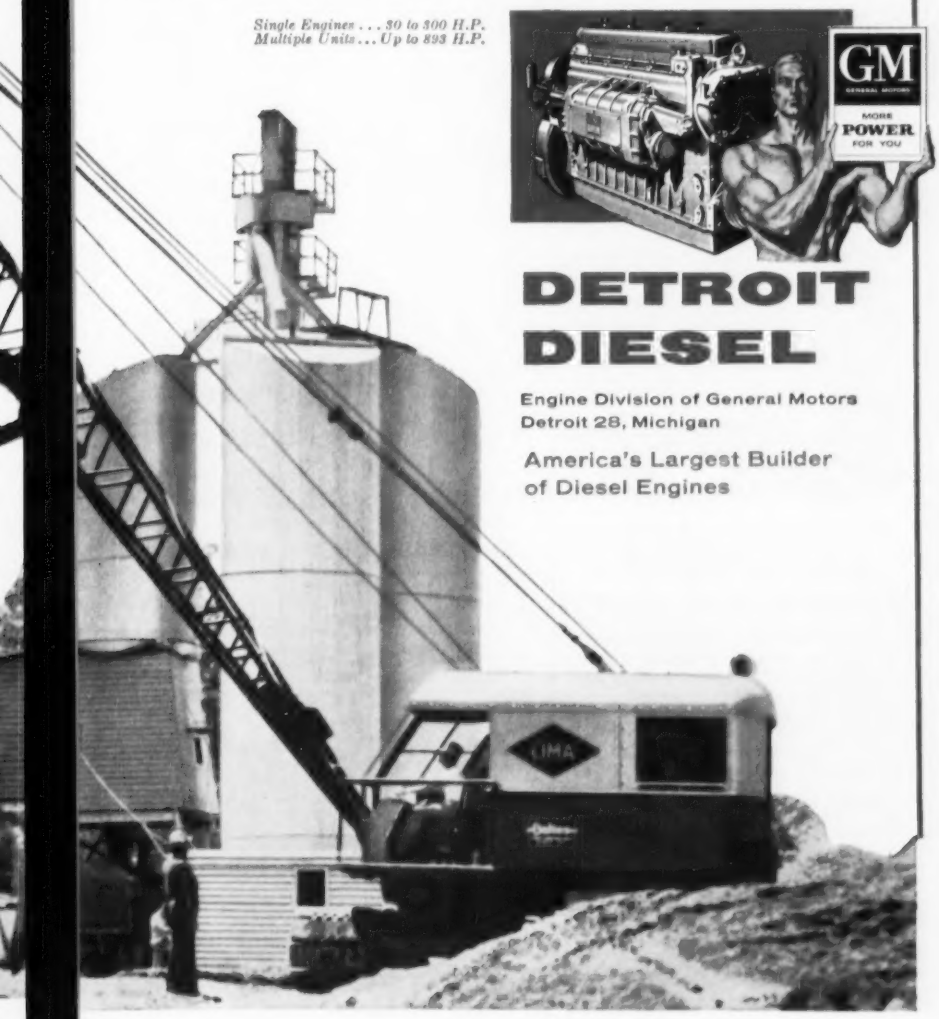

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† **California**—BA 4/4—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Weaverville, Trinity Dam Diversion Tunnel, Central Valley Proj., near Lewiston, Spec. DC-4650; adv. ENR 3/15. CD 4/20/45.

BUILDINGS—BA

Calif., Redlands—SCHOOL—BA 3/23—Redlands School Dist., 653 E. Fern Ave., Edward M. Cope Junior High School. $500,000. Plans deposit $25. Ulmer & Rock, 229 E. State St., archts. CD 2/7.

▲ **Calif., San Luis Obispo**—ENGINEERING—BA 4/4—State Div. Architecture, 1100 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles, 1 story, E-shaped engineering bldg., California State Polytechnic College. $1,410,500. Plans deposit $75. CD 1/14/55.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **OREGON and WASHINGTON**—State Hy. Dpt., Salem, Ore., and Washington State Hy. Comn., Olympia, Wash. **Guy F. Atkinson & Co.**, 10 W. Orange Ave. S., San Francisco, Calif., (6 bidders) LB **$5,564,180**, new bridge; LB **$1,117,760**, widen bridge over Columbia Slough, Columbia River Bridge Proj. between Portland, Ore. and Vancouver, Wash., Multnomah Co., Ore., Clark Co., Wash. Bids Mar. 1. CD 1/17.

▲† **San Francisco Bridge Co.**, 140 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif., CA, **$2,921,750**, dredging, extending seawall, Alameda Air Station, NOY 91693, Spec. 50105, ALAMEDA, CALIF. Dist. P. Wks. Officer Twelfth Naval Dist., San Bruno, Calif. Bids Dec. 21. CD 1/4, under LB.

† **Peletz Co., Inc.**, 475 W. College Ave., Santa Rosa, Calif., CA, **$111,000**. replacement, rehabilitation salt water lines, Mare Island Naval Shipyard, NOY 9690, Spec. 50103, VALLEJO, CALIF. Dist. P. Wks. Office, Twelfth Naval Dist., San Bruno, Calif. Bids Feb. 1. CD 1/13.

CANADA

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

Ontario—BA 3/20—Hydro-Electric Power Comn. of Ontario, 620 University Ave., Toronto, Morrisburg Waterworks Pumping Station in connection with changes caused by St. Lawrence Seaway, Morrisburg, Over $50,000. Plans deposit $10. W. Hogg, c/o owner, Cornwall, Ont., field engr.

▲ **Quebec**—BA 3/27—St. Lawrence Seaway Auth., No. 2 Temporary Bldg., Ottawa, Ont. first stage constr., Lowe & Upper Beauharnois Locks and approaches, part of St. Lawrence Seaway Proj., Plans deposit $100. A. Gordon Murphy, c/o owner, 685 Cathcart St., Montreal, Que., ch. engr. CD 9/9/54.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Ont., St. Catharines**—HOME FOR AGED—BA 3/20—St. Catharines & Lincoln County Home for the Aged, c/o Macbeth & Williams, archts., 104 Queen St., 225-bed, brick, block, steel home for aged, $1,300,000. CD 7/19.

Ont., Kingston—PRISON—BA 4/16—Dpt. Justice, Penitentiares Branch, Justice Bldg., Ottawa, womens prison bldgs., Collins Bay Penitentiary. $418,700. Plans deposit $100. CD 6/16.

Que., Granby—PLANT—Bids Asked—Burlington Mills Ribbon Corp. of Canada Ltd., Dorchester St., 1 story, 125x160 ft., structural steel masonry plant addn. $100,000. Greenspoon, Freedlander & Dunne, 4151 Sherbrooke St. W., Montreal, archts.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

Pearce Constr. Co. Ltd., 46 King St. W., Hagersville, Conn., CA, **$247,598**, sewage treatment plant addns., AURORA, ONT. Town, Town Hall, Aurora, Ont. Bids Oct. 17, awarded Feb. 22. CD 9/28.

Horton Steel Works Ltd., 40 Jennet St., Fort Erie, Ont., CA, **$148,925**, elevated storage tank, BELLEVILLE, ONT. Belleville Public Utilities Comn., 277 Front St., Belleville, Ont. Awarded Feb. 20. CD 12/30/54.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

Disher Steel Constr. Co. Ltd., 80 Commissioners St., Toronto, Ont., LB **$317,800**, structural steel COURT HOUSE, REGISTRY OFFICE, HAMILTON, ONT. Joint Court House Committee, c/o Prack & Prack, archts., 310 Main St. E., Hamilton, Ont. CD 2/9.

▲ **Dunker Constr. Co. Ltd.**, 178 Louisa St., Kitchener, Ont., CA, **$1,125,000** (5 bidders) 1 and 2 story, X-shaped, split-level, 90,000 **sq. ft.**, steel, masonry, concrete, brick HOME FOR AGED, KITCHENER, ONT. Waterloo County Home for the Aged, County Bldgs., 200 Weber St., Kitchener, Ont. Bids Feb. 22, awarded Feb. 24. CD 1/25.

H. J. Heinz & Co. of Canada Ltd., Erie St. S., Leamington, Ont. Own Forces. **$350,000.** rehabilitation of pickle line at FACTORY, LEAMINGTON, ONT. CD 10/3.

▲ **Fraser-Brace Eng. Co. Ltd.**, 360 St. James St. W., Montreal, Que., CA **$1,250,000**, Chemical Research Pilot PLANT, NIAGARA FALLS, ONT. Strategic-Udy-Metallurgical & Chemical Processes Ltd., c/o 620 Cathcart St., Buffalo, N. Y. Surveyor, Nenninger & Chenevert, 1440 St. Catherine St. W., Montreal, Que., engrs. Awarded Feb. 20.

I. **G. O. Fenton Constr. Ltd.**, 524 Jean Talon St. W., Montreal, Que., CA, **$125,000**, FACTORY and OFFICE, MONTREAL, QUE. Best Ever Footwear Co. Ltd., 2035 Desjardins St., Montreal, Que. David Reich, 581 Cote St. Luke Rd., Montreal, Que., archt. Henry Jasen & B. A. Eskenazi, 1410 Guy St., Montreal, Que., engrs. Awarded Feb. 21.

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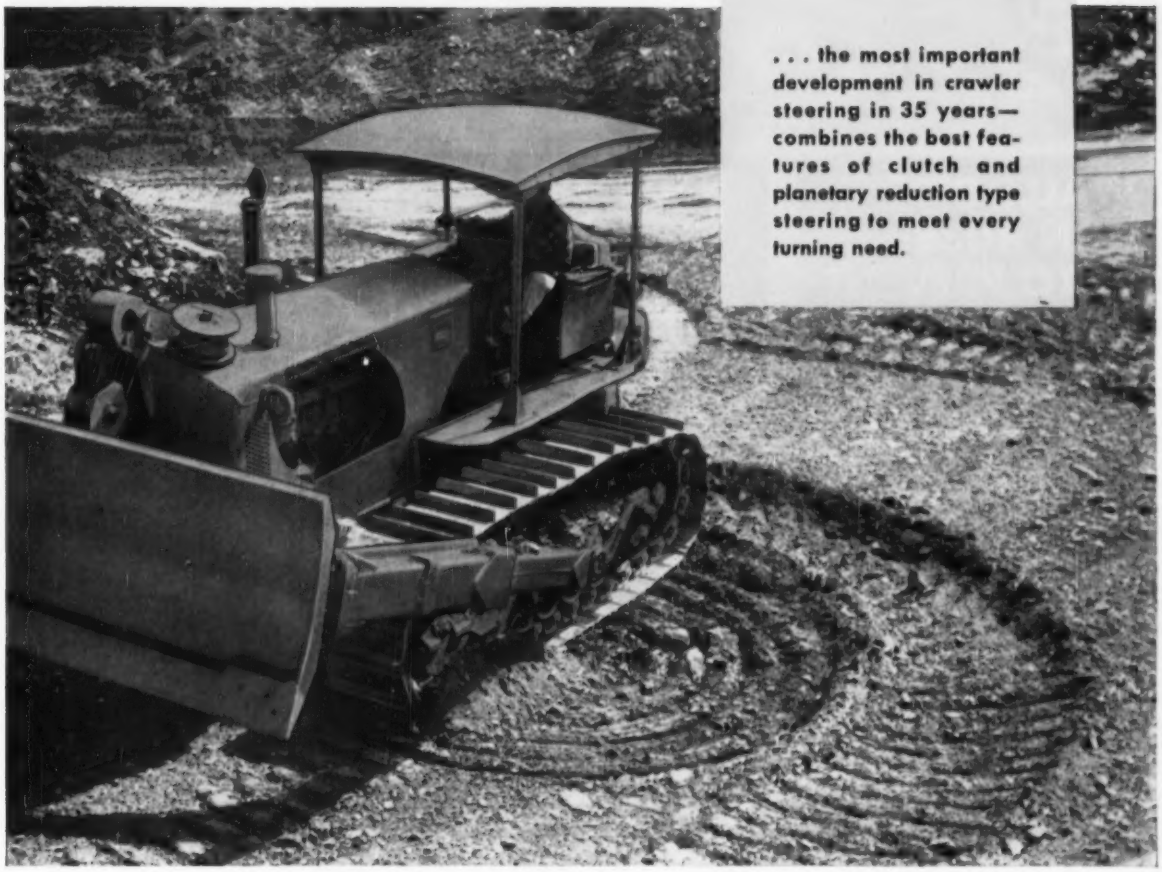

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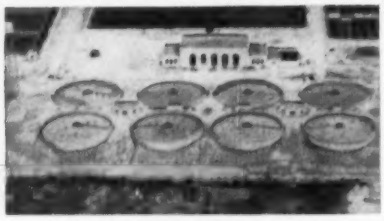

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PROPOSED PROJECTS

WATER SUPPLY

▲ **Ala., Birmingham**—Water Works Bd. City, 2114 1 Ave. N., installing misc. mains, hydrants, meters, etc. $961,000; relocating raw water mains near Shades Mt. filter plant, $150,000; imprv. intermediate sys. south of Shades Mountain, $110,000; Shades Mt. high service sys. imprvs. $49,000; Birmingham station imprvs. and installing pipe, $691,000; Shades Mt. station imprvs. $80,000; installing 19,000 ft. 16 in. pipe for Huffman main, $130,000; installing 3,000 ft. 20 in. pipe in 22 St. $50,000; work on North Highlands water tank, $280,000. CD 8/21/52.

▲ **Calif., Concord** — Contra Costa Co., Flood Control & Water Dist., 2400 Oakgrove Rd., bond election Apr. 3, reconstr. water sys. $9,875,000.

▲ **Calif., Oakland**—Alameda Co., Court House, bond election Mar. 27, water sys. imprvs. Washington Twp. $4,290,000.

▲ **Calif., Santa Rosa**—Sonoma Co., Court House, pumping plant, reservoir for pumping water from Russian River. $4,200,000.

▲ **Tex., Irving**—City, City Hall, WW rehabilitation, $100,000; water storage, $150,000; c. i. water lines, $1,716,000. CD 6/17/53.

SEWERS, WASTE DISPOSAL

▲ **Calif., Lancaster**—Sanitary District No. 4, Lancaster, $2,377,000 bond election Apr. 10 relocating sewage plant and extending mains.

Calif., Palo Alto—City, City Hall, sewer plant expansion, storm drain and outfall imprvs. $600,000. Harry Jenks, 63 Crescent Dr., consult. engr. CD 10/10/45.

Ill., Spring Valley—City, City Hall, sewers and sewage treatment plant. $650,000. C. K. Willett, 317 N. Galena St., Dixon, consult. engr. CD 9/30/54.

▲ **Mo., St. Louis County**—Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer Dist., William Q. Kehr, exec. dir., 508 Olive St., St. Louis, Zone 1, major trunk sewerage sys., to serve Florissant, Hazelwood, part of Berkeley, St. Ann and St. John-Overland Sewer District and adjacent area in Coldwater Creek section of northwestern part of St. Louis County to involve about 8 mi. sewers. $3,500,000. Horner & Shifrin, 1221 Locust St., St. Louis, Zone 1, and Alvord, Burdick & Howson, 20 N. Wacker Dr., Chicago, Ill., consult. engrs. CD 2/13.

▲ **Neb., Lincoln**—City, City Hall, $1,500,000 bond election June 26, sanitary sewers, various sects. Carl Fisher, city engr. CD 6/17/54.

N. Y., Manorhaven (P. O. Port Washington)—Village, sanitary sewerage system, $985,000, Clarence MacCallum, 937 Port Washington Blvd., Port Washington, engr. CD 10/26.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—City, City Hall, storm sewer between Jensen and N. Shepherd, for completion North Loop, $1,200,000. Frank Baldwin, City P. Wks. Dir. CD 2/2.

▲ **Tex., Irving**—City, City Hall, sanitary sewerage sys. rehabilitation, $90,000; storm sewers, $400,000; sanitary sewer lines, $1,250,000; sewage disposal $165,000. CD 6/30/52.

Wash., Seattle—Lake City Sewer Dist., 10515 39 Ave. NE., sewers in Utility Local Imprvt. Dist. No. 5, between N. 90 and 110 Sts., Fremont and Meridian Aves. $810,000.

BRIDGES

▲ **Calif., Modesto**—Stainislaus Co., Court House, bond election June 5, new bridges and roads, and rehabilitation existing ones, $5,000,000. CD 3/12/45.

▲ **Fla., Dunedin**—City Comn., City Hall, causeway to Caladesi Island. $1,600,000.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—City, City Hall, grade separation, N. Shepherd St., $1,000,000; constr. another Buffalo Bayou Bridge crossing, $400,000; bridge over Sims Bayou, $120,000; constr. another bridge across Brays Bayou, $150,000. Frank Baldwin, Dir. P. Wks. Utilities. CD 2/2.

STREETS AND ROADS

▲ **Neb., Lincoln**—City, City Hall, $1,500,000 bond election June 26, street imprvs., various sect. of city. Carl Fisher, city engr. CD 11/7/54.

▲ **NEW JERSEY**—Port of New York Auth., 111 8th Ave., New York 11, N. Y., traffic interchange connecting U. S. Route 1 and Newark Airport. $9,000,000.

▲ **OHIO**—State Hy. Dpt., Columbus,
Summit Co.—North End Expressway starting at Springfield Rd. and going approx. 2 mi. to west corporate line between Evergreen and Hermann Sts. with interchange at Wooster Rd. and State St., Barberton. $4,938,900. Beiswenger & Hoch, 661 Market St., Akron, consult. engrs.

Tex., Irving—City, City Hall, street imprvs., paving. $600,000.

Wash., Othello—Town, Town Hall, asph. paving streets with curbs, gutters and storm drains. $650,000.

▲ **WEST VIRGINIA**—State of West Virginia, Charleston, authorized feasibility study, extending West Virginia Turnpike to Ohio and Pennsylvania Borders. $133,000,000. To go ahead 1957. Wilbur Smith Assocs., 265 Church St., New Haven, Conn., traffic

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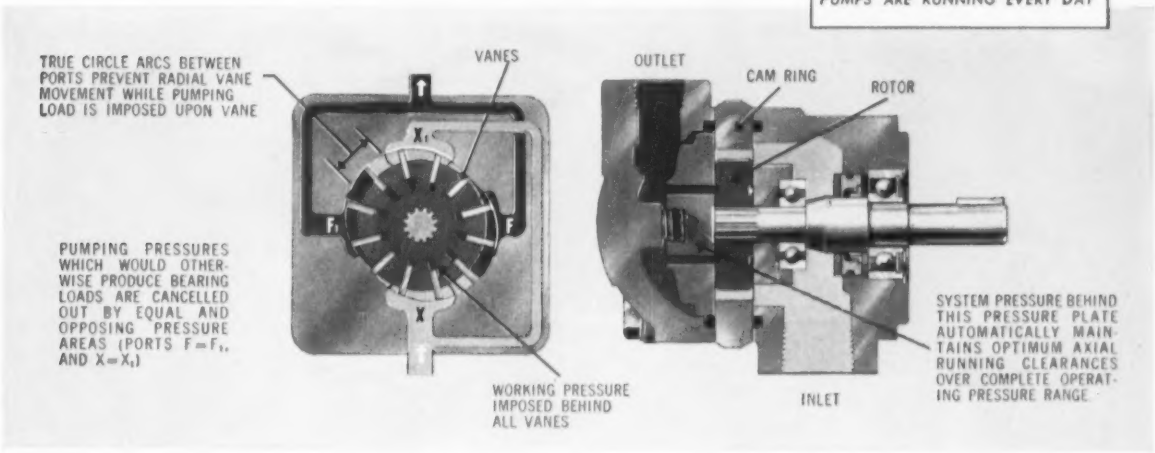
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survey. J. E. Greiner & Co., 1106 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Md., survey for construction costs.

EARTHWORK, WATERWAYS

▲ **Quebec**—Aluminum Co. of Canada Ltd., Sun Life Bldg., Montreal, power development on Peribonka River Lake St. John District, Chute Diable, $30,300,000. H. G. Acres & Co., Ltd., 1257 Dorchester Rd., Niagara Falls, Ont., consult. engrs. CD 2/27.

AIRPORTS

Ala., Birmingham—RUNWAYS—Birmingham City Aviation Advisory Council, City Hall, extending Northeast and West Runways to 7,900 ft. $900,000. Goodwin & Co., 2111 7 Ave. S., consult. engrs. Bids about June 30. CD 8/2.

▲ **Calif., Los Angeles**—AIRPORT IMPRVS.—City, City Hall, $59,700,000, bond election June 5, International Airport imprvs., incl. extending runways, passenger terminal, San Fernando Valley Airport and heliports. CD 5/16/45.

▲ **Ky., Erlanger**—AIRPORT IMPRVS.—Kenton County Airport Bd., Third and Court Sts., Covington, plans by Howard Elliston, 706 Walnut St., Cincinnati, O. expansion of 2 story, bsmnt., brick, restaurant, lounge, offices, admin., offices at Boone County Airport. $1,000,000, Hall McAllister & Stockwell, 706 Walnut St., Cincinnati, O., consult. engrs.

▲† **N. Y., Plattsburgh**—HYDRANT REFUELING SYSTEM—U. S. Eng., 111 E. 16 St., New York, Zone 3, hydrant refueling sys., Plattsburgh Air Force Base, $1,000,000-$3,000,000. Seelye, Stevenson, Value & Knecht, 101 Park Ave., New York, Zone 17, engrs. CD 10/20.

▲† **N. Y., Syracuse**—AIRPORT IMPRVS.—U. S. Eng., 111 E. 16 St., New York, Zone 3, paving, addn. to TADC Bldg. at Air National Guard facilities, $500,000-$1,000,000, Ralph Eberlin, 123 E. 77 St., New York, engrs.; trunk sewer, $100,000-$500,000, O'Brien & Gere, 446 James St., Syracuse, engrs.; plans by Cowell-Robinson, 25 W. 43 St., New York, Zone 36, misc. bldgs., $1,000,000-$3,000,000; infirmary and chapel, $100,000-$500,000; plans by Mayer & Whittlesey, 31 Union Square W., New York, Zone 3, air reserve training center, $100,000-$500,000, all above work at Hancock Field.

Tex., Midland—TERMINAL—City plans by J. J. Black, 801 W. Kansas St., Midland Air Terminal Passenger Depot. $558,900. CD 12/8.

AMERICANS ABROAD

▲† **England, London**—EMBASSY—Dpt. of State, Foreign Bldgs., Wash., D. C., U.S.A., plans by Eero Saarinen & Assocs., West Long Lake Rd., Bloomfield Hills, Mich., U.S.A., U. S. Embassy. $3,000,000. Work to start in 1957.

LATIN AMERICA

▲ **Mexico, Coatzacoalcos**—FERTILIZERS FACTORY—Guanos y Fertilizantes, Ing. Ferrer Galvan, dir., Mexico City, plans fertilizers factory. $16,000,000.

Mexico, Mexico City—HYGIENE CENTER—Srita. de Educacion Publica, Mexico City, plans school children's hygiene center. $500,000.

▲ **Mexico, Tampico**—FACTORY—Industria Nacional Quimico Farmaceutica, Plza Republicas 7, Mexico City, plans insecticides factory. $5,600,000. Jorge Madrid, Antonio Balvanera, c/o owner, engr.

▲ **Paraguay—Bolivia**—OIL LINE—Chaco Pipe Line & Refinery Corp., Concepcion, Paraguay, plans 450 mi. crude oil line from refinery near Concepcion, Paraguay to Glenn McCarthy's wells in Bolivia. $48,000,000.

▲ **Venezuela**—OIL LINE—Sinclair Oil Corp., 2119 Lofland St., Houston, Tex., 240 mi. crude oil line from Silvestre Fields in State of Barinas to Puerto Cabello on Caribbean Sea Coast. $25,000,000.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Calif., Anderson—SCHOOLS—Cascade Union Elementary School Dist., Anderson, voted bonds, new classroom bldg. and school addns. at Meadow Lane School $500,000. CD 3/10/54.

Calif., Azusa—SCHOOL—Citrus Union High School Dist., 18824 E. Foothill Blvd., plans by Neptune & Thomas, 1560 N. Colorado St., Pasadena, 2nd increment, Azusa High School, $842,000. CD 2/17/54.

Calif., Boonville—HIGH SCHOOL—Anderson Valley Unified School Dist., Boonville, voted bonds, high school, $800,000. Ernest F. Winkler, 251 Post St., San Francisco, archt. CD 11/23.

▲ **Calif., Crescent City**—SCHOOLS—Crescent Union Elementary School Dist., Crescent City, Bess Maxwell School, $553,349; rehabilitating Crescent-Elk Elementary School, $564,006.

▲ **Calif., Hayward**—SCHOOL—La Vista Elementary School Dist., 27845 Western Rd., plans by Anderson & Simonds, 2800 Park Blvd., Oakland, school addns. $3,350,000. Bonds voted.

Calif., Kerman—SCHOOL ADDNS.—Kerman Union High School Dist., 2545 N. Madera St., bond election May 18, school addns., $525,000. Horn & Mortland, 2016 Merced St., Fresno, archts.

Calif., Livermore—SCHOOL—Livermore Joint Union High School Dist., P. O. Box 272, bond election Mar. 20, school addns. $800,000.

Calif., Long Beach—BUSINESS and TECHNOLOGY DIVISION—Long Beach Bd. Educ., 715 Locust Ave., plans by Hugh R. Davies, Security First Natl. Bldg., business and technology division alterations, addns. $650,000. CD 11/16/50.

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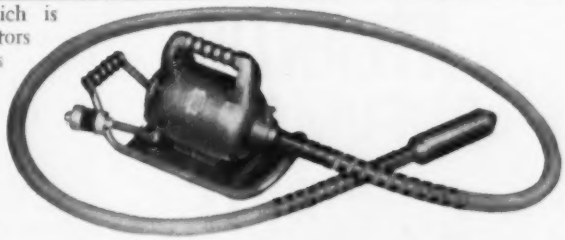

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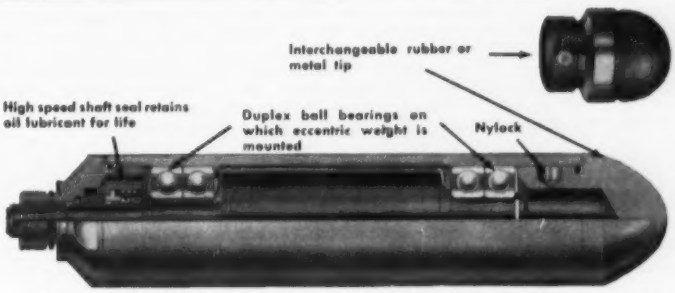
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▲ **Calif., Palo Alto**—SCHOOLS—Palo Alto City Unified School Dist., P. O. Box 450, bond election May 18, 3 elementary schools, Junior High School and site for high school. **$2,000,000.** CD 6/15/54.

Calif., San Gabriel—CITY HALL—City, **$500,000,** bond election Apr. 10, city hall.

▲ **Calif., San Jose**—SCHOOL—Mount Pleasant Elementary School Dist., 14275 Candler Ave., bond election Apr. 24, school, Story Rd. near Raehampton Ave. **$1,200,000.**

▲ **Calif., San Mateo**—SCHOOLS—San Mateo Union High School Dist., 650 N. Delaware St., bond election May 18, Mills High School and existing schools addns. **$3,030,000.** CD 5/27/53.

Calif., Tulare—SCHOOL—Tulare City Elementary School Dist., 600 N. Cherry Ave., voted bonds Feb. 17, Maple, Garden, Roosevelt Schools addns., and new 7th and 8th Grade School. **$850,000.** CD 2/28/55.

▲ **Colo., Golden**—SCHOOL OF MINES—State of Colorado, Colorado School of Mines, Golden, two academic quadrangle studies, dining commons, research and graduate study, auditorium and student union bldg., married student housing buildings for geophysics, mining, basic sciences and engineering, **$20,000,000.** Pereira & Luckman, 920 Sunet Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., consult. engrs., archts.

▲ **Colo., Grand Junction**—SCHOOLS—School District No. 51, Grand Junction, $2,500,000 bond election Apr. 1, Junior-Senior High School **$1,000,000;** elementary school **$650,000.** CD 8/22/52.

Conn., Wethersfield—TOWN HALL, etc.—Town, Town Hall, plans by Jeter & Cook, 36 Pearl St., Hartford, town hall and library, **$560,000.** CD 7/5/50.

▲ **Del., Claymont**—SCHOOL—Claymont Special School Dist., voted bonds, school bldg. program. **$1,680,000.** Massena & DuPont, 704 Delaware Ave., Wilmington, archts.

Del., Lewes—SCHOOL—Lewes Special School Dist., Lewes, voted bonds, Lewes Elementary & High School addns., **$851,000.** George E. Pope & Albert Kruse, 911 Washington St., Wilmington, archts. CD 11/5/54.

▲ **Del., Milford**—SCHOOLS—Milford Special School Dist., Milford, voted bonds, elementary school **$750,000;** Lake Ave School addns., alterations, **$750,000.** Whiteside, Moeckle & Carbonell, 909 Tatnall St., Wilmington, archts.

▲ **Del., Stanton**—SCHOOL—Stanton School Dist., Stanton, plans by G. Morris Whiteside, Wm. G. Moeckel, and Joseph E. Carbonell, 909 Tatnall St., Wilmington, Junior High School, **$1,000,000.** CD 2/21.

▲ **Idaho, Pocatello**—HIGH SCHOOL—School Bd., Pocatello, plans by A. Dropping, 38 Mesa Dr. Boise, high school, **$1,225,000.**

Idaho, Taylor (mail Moreland)—SCHOOL—School Dist. 21, Arimo, voted bonds, school **$800,000.**

Ill., Cicero—SCHOOL—School Dist. 99, Cicero, voted bonds, school **$850,000.** Frank Polito, 168 N. Michigan St., Chicago, Zone 1, archt.

▲ **Ill., Urbana**—DORMITORIES—University of Illinois, Urbana, plans by Schaeffer & Wilson, assoc. archts., People's Bank Bldg., Bloomington, two dormitories, $1,165,000. CD 3/18/53.

▲ **Ind., Kokomo**—HOSPITAL—Comrs. Howard Co., Court House, 105-bed county hospital, **$2,000,000.**

Iowa, Albia—PLANT—City, City Hall, mfg. plant, $100,000. Maloney Co., Cleveand, O., lessee.

▲ **Ind., New Albany**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., Glen D. Barkes, supt. constr., Junior High School. **$1,814,000.**

Ind., Terre Haute—SCHOOL—Honey Creek Twp., Terre Haute, plans by Yeager Architects, Inc., 822 Ohio St., 1 and 2 story, structural steel, rein.-con. secondary school. **$880,000.**

Ky., Fort Knox—SCHOOL—Fort Knox Independent School Dist., Fort Knox, plans by William G. Crawford, 4030 Alton Rd., Louisville, 1 story, 352x850 ft. Junior High School, **$900,000.**

▲ **Mich., Farmington**—SCHOOL—City, 33312 Grand River, **$2,000,000** bond election Mar. 26, Junior High School, and 3 elementary schools. CD 4/9/54.

▲ **Mich., Garden City**—SCHOOL—City, Douglas F. Waddell, clk., voted **$3,300,000** bonds Feb. 20, schools, W. T. Anicka & Assoc., 2300 Washtenaw St. Ann Arbor, archts. CD 1/31.

▲ **Mich., Milan**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ., Milan School Dist., $1,500,000 bond election Mar. 20, high school, two grade school addns.

▲ **Mich., Wayne**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ., Wayne Twp., 34918 Sims St., voted **$9,000,000** bonds, Feb. 20, school program incl. Senior High School, Junior High School, elementary schools. CD 1/23.

† **Minn., Moorhead**—POST OFFICE, etc.—General Services Admin., Pub. Bldgs. Service, 2306 E. Bannister Rd., Kansas City 14, Mo., post office and federal office **$500,000**

▲ **Mo., Pattonville**—SCHOOL—Pattonville Consolidated School Dist. R-3, Bd. Educ., M. A. Holman, supt. Schools, St. Charles Rock Rd., Zone 21, voted **$650,000** bonds Feb. 18, addns. Junior High School and elementary schools. **$770,000.**

▲ **Mo., Rolla**—DORMITORY—Missouri School of Mines & Metallurgy, Rolla, and c/o Curators of University of Missouri, Jesse Hall, Columbia, plans by Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum, 825 Locust St., St. Louis, Zone 1, 3 dormitory bdgs., food service center (cafeteria), **$1,228,000.** CD 9/15.

▲ **Mo., Sedalia**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ. defeated **$1,800,000** bonds Feb. 7, schools, D. R. Sandford & Sons, 800 Westport Rd., Kansas City, Mo., archts. CD 12/27.

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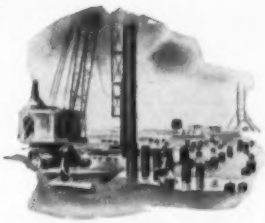

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▲ **Neb., Lincoln**—CITY-COUNTY—City, City Hall, $3,500,000 bond election June 26, city-county bldg. CD 1/23.

▲ **Neb., Lincoln**—HOSPITAL—City, City Hall, $4,500,000 bond election June 26, city hospital or medical center.

▲ **Neb., Lincoln**—LIBRARY—City, City Hall, $1,200,000 bond election June 26, main library, Hazen & Robinson, 305 Stuart Bldg., archts. CD 2/1.

Neb., Omaha—SCHOOL—School Dist. 66, Douglas Co., 1162 95 St., plans by L. A. Daly Co., Insurance Bldg., Hillside School, 76 and Western Aves., near here. $500,000. CD 1/11.

▲ **N. J., Hopewell**—SCHOOL—Hopewell Twp. Bd. Educ., Hopewell, voted bonds, Jan. 26, nigh school, $1,600,000. Grady & Myer, 219 W. State St., Trenton, consult. engrs. Hankin, Stull & Backes, 495 W. Hanover St., Trenton, archts. CD 1/16.

▲ **N. Y., Brooklyn**—SCHOOL—Bureau Constr., Bd. Educ., 42-15 Crescent St., Long Island City, Zone 1, plans by Martyn N. Weston, 44 Court St., Zone 2, addn. to Junior High School 50, South Third St. and Driggs Ave., Proj. P-842, $2,300,000. CD 6/23.

▲ **N. Y., New York**—OFFICE—City, Dpt. P. Wks., Municipal Bldg., Zone 7, city executive OFFICE in block bounded Duane St., Cardinal Hayes Place, Park Row and Pearl St., Proj. PW-162, $4,000,000.

▲ **N. Y., Rye**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ. plans by Perkins & Will, 171 E. Post Rd., White Plains, Senior High School, Rye Neck, $1,500,000. To go ahead in Summer 1956.

▲ **N. Y., White Plains**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., 279 Hamilton Ave., plans by Perkins & Will, 171 E. Post Rd., Senior High School, $7,000,000.

N. Y., Yonkers—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., elementary school in Bronxville Heights, $950,000.

▲ **O., Cincinnati**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ., 608 E. McMillan St., plans by Potter, Tyler, Martin & Roth, 128 E. 6th St., 2 story South Avaondale School, west side of Carll St., $800,000, Bids December 1956; plans by James E. Allan, 914 Main St., 2 story, brick Whittier School, Hawthorne Ave., $1,000,000. Bids September 1956. CD 2/28/55.

▲† **O., Cincinnati** — POST OFFICE ANNEX — General Services Admin., General Services Bldg., Wash. 25, D. C. 375,000 sq. ft. post office annex, Dalton and Liberty Sts. $4,000,000.

▲ **O., Cleveland Heights**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ., 1749 Lee Rd., Cleveland, Zone 18, plans by Spahn & Barnes, 1950 Lee Rd., Cleveland, Zone 18, high school addns., $414,600; classrooms for Frank R. Wiley Junior High School, $410,000; plans by Outcalt, Guenther & Assoc., 13124 Shaker Square, Cleveland, Zone 20, replace frame Northwood School, $457,100; Canterbury School addn., $338,000; Roosevelt Junior High addns., $515,000. CD 1/25.

O., Indian Hill—SCHOOL—Indian Hill School Dist., Drake Rd., plans by Potter, Tyler, Martin & Roth, 128 E. 6th St., Cincinnati, 1 story, brick school. $875,000. Bids late summer. CD 11/16.

O., Madeira—HIGH SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., Miami Ave., 1 story high school addn. $825,000.

▲ **O., Oxford**—FINE ARTS, etc.—Bd. Trustees Miami University, John D. Millett, pres., Oxford, fine arts bldg., south of new University Center, $1,000,000; stores and service bldg., on bluff north of State Rte. 73, $400,000; elevators, utility lines, driveways, general campus imprvs., $340,617.

O., Toledo—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., Springfield School Dist., Toledo, $500,000 bond election May 8, school.

▲ **Pa., Bloomsburg**—CLASSROOM, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, general classroom, $400,000; men's dormitory, $720,000; auditorium, $528,000, at Bloomsburg State Teachers College. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 12/9/49.

Pa., Bristol—SCHOOL—Bristol Twp. School Dist., plans by Joseph Wigmore, 117 S. 17 St., George Taylor Elementary School, $500,000, Robert A. C. Gilfillan, 117 S. 17 St., Phila., consult. engr. CD 1/19.

▲ **Pa., Clarion**—LIBRARY, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, library and administration bldg. $400,000; classroom, $360,000; women's dormitory, $576,000; auditorium, $350,000, at State Teachers' College. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

▲ **Pa., East Stroudsburg**—DORMITORY, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, women's dormitory, $900,000; library and administration bldg., $560,000; science bldg., $350,000; heating plant, $200,000, at East Stroudsburg State Teachers' College. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 11/28/49.

▲ **Pa., Edinboro**—DORMITORIES, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, men's dormitory, $520,000; women's dormitory, $360,000; library, $350,000; electrical distr. system, $120,000, at Edinboro State Teachers' College. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 12/23/49.

▲ **Pa., Hamburg**—MEDICAL SERVICES, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, medical services bldg., $660,000; addn. to kitchen, cafeteria and diving facilities, $480,000; laundry, $200,000, at Hamburg State Tuberculosis Hospital. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

Pa., Harrisburg—LABORATORY—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., laboratory for State Health Dpt., $691,200. A. F. Jones, c/o owner ch. engr.

▲ **Pa., Hershey**—TRAINING SCHOOL—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, training school for Pennsylvania State Police, $1,200,000. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 5/16/47.

▲ **Pa., Hollidaysburg**—PATIENTS, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, patients' bldg., $1,280,000; auditorium and gymnasium, $350,000; stores bldg., $220,000; combined garage and maintenance bldg., $128,000, at Hollidaysburg State Hospital, A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

▲ **Pa., Indiana**—DORMITORIES—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, men's dormitory, $792,000. women's dormitory, $520,000; science bldg., $350,000; music and art bldg., $440,000; library, $520,000; heating plant, $520,000, at Indiana State Teachers' College. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 7/11/52.

Pa., Johnsonville — SCHOOL — Centennial Junior School Dist., constr. Junior High School, $750,000.

▲ **Pa., Kutztown**—DORMITORY, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, men's dormitory, $630,000. science bldg., $350,000; classroom $350,000, at Kutzstown State Teachers' College, A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

▲ **Pa., Mayview**—ADMISSIONS, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, admissions bldg., $1,600,000; bldg. for male disturbed and semi-disturbed patients, $1,280,000; auditorium and chapel, $520,000; male ergotherapy bldg., $960,000, at Mayview State Hospital, A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 11/28/49.

▲ **Pa., Norristown** — BUILDING, etc. — General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, replacement of bldg. No. 1, $1,200,000; bldg. for senile men, $1,600,000; remodel boiler plant and adjacent coal storage bldg. as central store house, $400,000, at Norristown State Hospital. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 2/10/47.

▲ **Pa., Phila.** — BUILDINGS — General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, altering bldgs. E-5 and E-7, $1,120,000; altering bldgs. C-2 and C-4, $760,000; recreational therapy bldg., $668,000; altering bldg. E-8, $400,000; grounds lighting system, $480,000, at Philadelphia State Hospital. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 2/10/47.

Pa., Polk—COLD STORAGE, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, remodel cold storage and storeroom bldg. and constr. new storage space, $350,000; complete remodeling main kitchen bldg. $640,000; revamp electrical system, $400,000, at Polk State School, A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

▲ **Pa., Slippery Rock**—DORMITORY, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, men's dormitory, $1,080,000; women's dormitory, $558,000; auditorium, $528,000, at Slippery Rock State Teachers' College. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

▲ **Pa., Somerset**—ADMISSION, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, admission bldg.,

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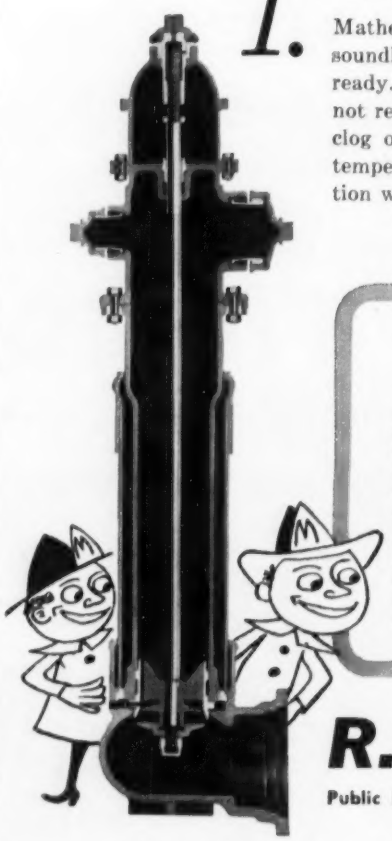

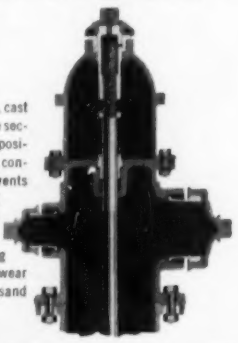

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1,200,000; male patients bldg., $1,000,000; chapel, auditorium, and gymnasium, $350,000; maintenance shop, $200,000, at Somerset State Hospital. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 9/29/49.

▲ **Pa., Souderton**—SCHOOL—Souderton School Bd. plans by H. F. Everett & Assoc., Commonwealth Bldg., Allentown, Junior and Senior High School addn. $1,750,000. S. W. Herring, 512 Hamilton St., Allentown, consult. engr. CD 10/6.

▲ **Pa., Spring City**—STOREROOMS, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, remodel old power house into storerooms and shops, $400,000; expand and modernize kitchens attendants dining room, patients' dining rooms, $640,000; addnl. refrigeration in male and female colonies, $350,000, at Pennhurst State School. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 2/19/48.

Pa., Springfield—SCHOOL—Springfield School Dist., constr. Junior High School alterations, Senior High School addn. $500,000.

▲ **Pa., Torrance**—ADMISSION, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, admission bldg., $2,400,000; repairs to steam distr. system, $152,000; constr. carpenter, electrical, plumbing, and machine repair shops, $248,000; repairs to electrical distr. system, $140,000, at Torrance State Hospital. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

▲ **Pa., University Park**—ENGINEERING, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, general engineering bldg. and ore petroleum laboratory, $4,800,000; completion of Burrows Bldg., $1,480,000; completion of Home Economics South Bldg., $1,320,000; completion electrical engineering bldg., $1,200,000; maintenance service bldg., $1,400,000; meats laboratory, $440,000; two brooder houses for turkeys, $320,000; swine research facilities, $220,000; extens., revisions to utility services, $227,000; horticultural greenhouses and horticultural field service bldg., $412,000; water storage facilities, $240,000 at Penna State University. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

Pa., Warminster—SCHOOL—Warminster School Dist. plans by John S. Carver, 2112 Spruce St., Phila., elementary school, York Rd. and Valley Rd. $500,000.

▲ **Pa., Warren**—STORAGE and REFRIGERATION, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, storage and refrigeration, $1,200,000; male geriatric bldg., $1,000,000; installing automatic sprinkler sys., $120,000; water supply system, $220,000; repairing sewerage sys., $220,000, Warren State Hospital. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

▲ **Pa., Wernersville**—ADMISSION—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, admission bldg. at Wernersville State Hospital. $1,200,000. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

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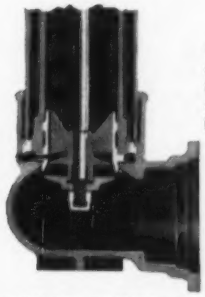

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▲ **Pa., West Chester**—DORMITORY, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, women's dormitory, $900,000; men's dormitory, $1,080,000; music classroom, $350,000; dining room and kitchen, $800,000; heating plant, $600,000, West Chester Teachers' College. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

▲ **Pa., Woodville**—PATIENTS, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, tuberculosis patients bldg., $1,920,000; revamp administration quarters, dining rooms, chapel and C-D portion of Ward 6, $480,000; administration bldg., $350,000, at Woodville State Hospital. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

▲ **Tex., Amarillo**—SCHOOL—Amarillo Independent School Dist., Amarillo, plans by Howard Ensign & Henry Fowler, 1312 W. 15 St., Junior High School, $1,250,000. CD 10/13.

Tex., Denton—DORMITORY, etc.—State Bd. Regents, Tribune Bldg., Austin, men's dormitory, dining service-lounge bldg., North Texas State College. $800,000.

Tex., Fort Worth—HEALTH CENTER—City, Dr. Jack Garrison, mayor, and Gus Brown, co. judge, City Hall, plans by Herman G. Cox, 415 N. P. Anderson Bldg., V-shaped, one 2 story wing; one 1 story wing, masonry, City-County Health Center, Camp Bowie Blvd. and Arch Adams. $720,000.

Tex., Irving—PUBLIC—City, City Hall, public bldgs. group, $500,000. CD 6/30/52.

▲ **Tex., McKinney**—HOSPITAL—Collin Co., Court House, plans by Wyatt C. Hedrick, 904 Fort Worth Ave., Dallas, county hospital. $1,000,000.

▲ **Utah, Salt Lake City**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ., 440 E. First South St., plans by William F. Thomas, Union Pacific Bldg. Annex, Northwest Junior High School at 1250 North 13th West, $1,600,000; plans by R. Lloyd Snedaker, 706 Utah Saving & Trust Bldg., Indian Hills Elementary School, $500,000. CD 4/27/54.

Va., Alexandria—POLICE STATION—City, City Hall, plans by Willgoos & Chase, 300 Montgomery St., police station, $500,000. CD 1/18/51.

▲ **Va., Fairfax**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ., Fairfax, plans by Saunders-Eubank, 121 S. Columbus St., Alexandria, elementary school, Plymouth Haven, $430,380; plans by Bailey & Patton, 1408 N. Fillmore St., Arlington, elementary school, Kent Gardens, $430,380; plans by John M. Walton & Assoc., 2049 N. 15 St., Arlington, elementary school, Langley Forest, $553,500. CD 11/11.

Wash., Pasco—JUNIOR COLLEGE—School Bd., Pasco, plans by W. L. Wulff, Realty Bldg., Spokane, Junior College Bldgs., incl. vocational technical training bldgs. and heating plant. $600,000.

▲ **Wis., Appleton**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ. plans by R. N. Levee & Assocs, 1000 W. College Ave., Junior High School. $1,000,000.

▲ **Wyo., Casper**—SCHOOL—Casper Midwest School Dist., 930 S. Elm St., voted $1,000,000 bonds Jan. 31, Junior High School. CD 1/11.

▲ **B. C., Vancouver**—HIGH SCHOOL—Vancouver School Bd., 1595 W. 10 St., plans by E. D. King, 1595 W. 10 Ave., 4 story high school, 49 and Argyle Sts. $1,100,000. CD 12/18/53.

▲ **Que., Quebec City**—NORMAL SCHOOL—Provincial Dpt. P. Instruction, Parliament Bldgs., plans by Maurice Mainguy, 565 St. Jean St., and J. Aurele Bigonesse, 3 Parloir St., normal school. $2,000,000. Leo Dufresne, 915 St. Cyrille St. W., consult. engr. CD 2/1.

Sask., Weyburn—FEDERAL—Dpt. P. Wks., Hunter Bldg., Ottawa, Ont., 2 story, bsmt., 81x140 ft., federal bldg. $500,000. A. A. Anderson, c/o owner, ch. engr.

COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

Ala., Birmingham—HOSPITAL ANNEX—Jefferson TB Sanatorium, 3800 Montgomery Hy., plans by George Turner, American Life Bldg., hospital annex, $360,000. CD 1/13.

▲ **Ariz., Yuma**—HOUSING—Procurement Office, 5750th Air Defense Wing (Weapons) Yuma County Airport, Yuma, plans by Charles G. Polacek, 2803 7 St., Phoenix, 320-units of housing, Yuma County Airport. $4,000,000. CD 1/31.

▲ **Calif., Azusa**—DWELLINGS—Frank Halterman, 13832 E. Valley Blvd., Puente, plans by Robert F. Duff & Assoc., 5549 N. Rosemead Blvd., Temple City, 94 frame, stucco dwellings, Tract 21786, N. E. of Vincent Ave. and Newburg St. $1,000,000.

Calif., Berkeley—CHURCH SCHOOL—Presbyterian Church c/o Donald Powers Smith, archt., 133 Kearny St., San Francisco, church school. $400,000.

Calif., Los Angeles—DWELLINGS—Broadway Homes, 5650 W. 3 St., 82 frame, stucco dwellings, McLennan Ave., Tract 18887. $900,000.

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Calif., Pacoima—DWELLINGS—Keystone Constr. Co., 218 S. Highland Ave., Los Angeles, 79 frame, stucco dwellings, Deheli, Beechy, Montague, and Sandusky Sts., Tract 20541, $800,000.

Calif., San Francisco—HEADQUARTERS—Marine Firemen's Union, 150 Broadway, plans by John Gloe, 362 Clay St., union headquarters, First and Folsom Sts. $500,000.

Calif., West Covina—DWELLINGS—Cunningham Development Co., 500 S. Walnut St., Anaheim, 79 frame, stucco dwellings, Trace 20672, $800,000.

Colo., Greeley—BOWLING ALLEY—Columbine Recreation Corp., 1628 22 Ave., 1 story brick bowling alley, $400,000. Nat S. Sachter, 1321 Bannock St., Denver, consult. engr.-archt.

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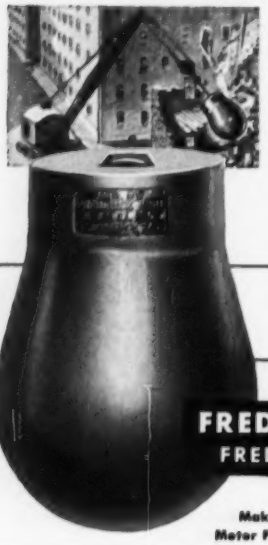

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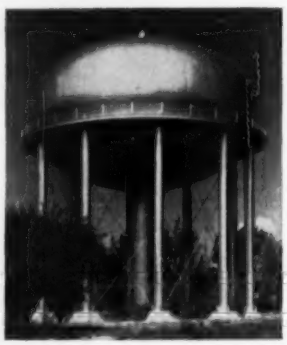

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▲ **Tex., Houston** — DWELLINGS — United Lumber & Building Co., Jack Perry, 1110 Prospect St., 27 dwellings, **$345,500;** 31 dwellings, **$392,100;** 28 dwellings, $358,000; 30 dwellings, **$379,410** in Home Owned Estates.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—DWELLINGS—United Lumber & Bldg. Co., Jack Perry, 1110 Prospect St., **25 dwellings, $347,500; 29 dwellings, $385,175;** 33 dwellings, **$375,000; 26 dwellings, $359,915,** in Lake Forest Addition.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—DWELLINGS—United Lumber & Building Co., Jack Perry, 1110 Prospect St., 32 dwellings, $384,000; 29 dwellings, $348,500; 34 dwellings, $409,000; 39 dwellings, $360,000 in Scenic Woods.

Tex., Irving—HOSPITAL—Dr. E. O. Rushing & Assocs., 5939 Luther Lane, Dallas, 73-bed hospital, **$400,000.**

Tex., Lubbock—DWELLINGS—Kulp & Gibson, 50 St. at Elgin Ave., plans by Charles E. Armstrong, 6351 Camp Bowie Blvd., Ft. Worth, 25 dwellings, in 500-dwelling project. **$381,135.**

▲ **Tex., Mesquite**—DWELLINGS—Riggs & Major, Inc., 402 Galloway St., 23 dwellings, **$418,500;** 7 dwellings, $350,000; 18 dwellings, **$370,000;** 11 dwellings, $365,000; 15 dwellings, **$376,100;** 20 dwellings, $381,000.

▲ **Tex., Pasadena**—DWELLINGS—Parkwood Subdivision, C. O. Beeler, c/o Beeler Lumber Co., 4715 Calhoun St., Houston, 32 dwellings, **$347,700;** 40 dwellings, $379,000; 36 dwellings, **$368,775,** in Parkwood.

Vt., Burlington—DORMITORY—Trinity College, Colchester Ave., plans by Julian W. Goodrich, 215 College St., dormitory, **$500,000.**

Vt., Poultney—DORMITORY—Green Mountain Junior College, Howard C. Ackley, pres., Poultney, plans by Milton L. Crandell, 10 Broad St., Glens Falls, N. Y., 3 story, 110x122 ft. brick dormitory **$600,000.**

Wis., Appleton—SCHOOL—Fox Valley Lutheran High School Assn., 801 Main St., plans by R. N. LeVee & Assocs., 1000 W. College St., 1 story, part bsmnt., 194x244 ft. parochial high school, **$344,000.** CD 8/12/49.

Wis., Milwaukee—CHURCH, etc.—St. Gregory the Great Catholic Congregation, c/o Brust & Brust, archts., 135 W. Wells St., Zone 3, church, parish hall and rectory, **$400,000.**

▲ **Wis., Milwaukee**—HOSPITAL—St. Mary's Hospital, 2320 N. Lake Dr., plans by Maguolo & Quick, 4908 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis, Mo., hospital remodeling and addn. **$3,500,000.**

▲ **Alta., Calgary**—DEPARTMENT STORE—Simpson-Sears Ltd., 176 Yonge St., Toronto, Ont., plans by J. Stevenson & Assocs., 340 7 Ave. W., Calgary, 2 story 150,000 sq. ft., rein.-con. Department Store, **$2,500,000.**

Ont., Delaware—SEMINARY—Roman Catholic Diocese of London, Bishop John C. Cody, 520 Richmond St., plans by Watt & Tillman, 343 Richmond St., London, Sacred Heart Junior Seminary. **$350,000.**

▲ **Ont., Toronto**—OFFICE—**Canadian Bank of Commerce,** 25 King St. W., office bldg. addn. **$10,000,000.**

▲ **Ont., Toronto**—OFFICE—**Owner, c/o Marani & Morris,** archts., 1250 Bay St., **12 story office, University Ave., Edward and Center Sts., $4,500,000.** Work to start in late summer.

▲ **Ont., Toronto**—OFFICE—**Swiss Syndicate,** c/o Chartered Trust Ltd., 33 King St. W., **20 story office bldg., University Ave. and King St. $8,000,000.**

Ont., Toronto — APARTMENT — Temple Building Investments, 84 Richmond St. W., plans by Harry B. Kohl, 1407 Yonge St., 80-unit, 8 story, bsmnt. apartment, Jameson Ave. **$640,000.**

▲ **Que., Montreal**—OFFICE—**Leo Kolber,** 132 St. James St. W., **15 story, 10,000 sq. ft., structural steel frame office, Guy and Dorchester Sts. $5,000,000.** Work may start in September.

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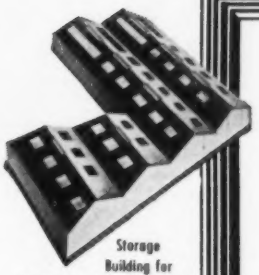

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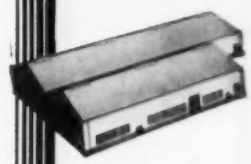

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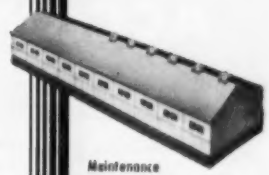

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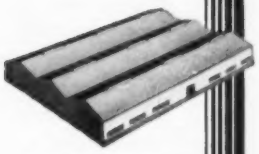

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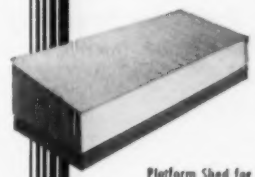

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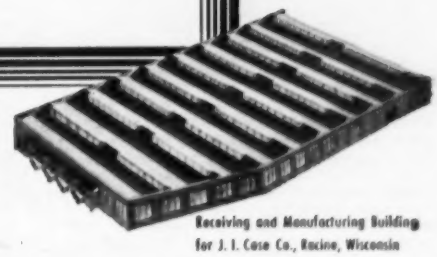

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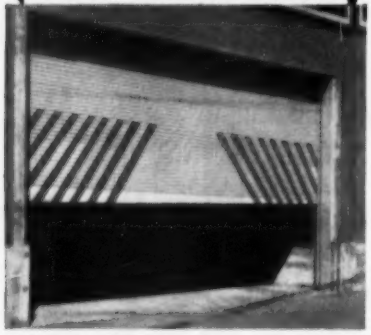

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Ala., Birmingham—WAREHOUSE—Allied Chemical & Dye Corp., Barrett Div., 1327 Erie Ave., 38,000 sq. ft. warehouse, 1327 Erie Ave. $200,000.

Ala., Duncanville — WAREHOUSE — Gulf Refining Co., 1312 8 Ave. N., Birmingham, 1,140x140 ft., warehouse, Pipeline Terminal $225,000.

Calif., Fullerton—PLANT—Standard Products Co., 2130 W. 110 St., Cleveland 20, 50,000 sq. ft. automotive window channels mfg. plant, $500,000.

Calif., Los Angeles—PLANT—Chun Wong, Inc., 942 Yale St., plans by Eugen Kunn Choy, 1344 Wilshire Blvd., 30,000 sq. ft. food processing plant, $200,000.

Calif., Los Angeles—PROCESSING, STORAGE—Henry Kerwin, 648 Mateo St., 145x186 ft., concrete food processing and storage bldg. $100,000.

Calif., San Francisco—PARKING GARAGE—Owner c/o J. P. Conrich, archt., 593 Market St., parking garage, Mission and First Sts. $600,000.

Calif., San Francisco—TERMINAL—Tide Water Associated Oil Co., 79 New Montgomery St., bulk product terminal, $500,000. V. A. Morley, 515 Market St., consult. engr. CD 2/21.

▲ Calif., South San Francisco—BAKERY—Colonial Bakeries, 352 Grand Ave., bakery, Spruce Ave. $1,000,000.

▲ Calif., Stockton—PLANT—Johns-Manville Corp., 22 E. 40 St., New York 16, N. Y., asbestos-cement pipe products plant, near here. $1,500,000.

▲ Calif., Stockton—PLANT—Pacific Clay Products Co., California St., expanding present plant. $1,000,000.

Ill., Chicago—WAREHOUSE—Lavine & Sons, c/o Theodore Rogvoy, archt., 929 Fox Bldg., Detroit, Mich., 24,000 sq. ft. warehouse, Bryden and West Chicago Sts. $150,000.

Ill., Chicago—FACTORY—Rock-Ola Mfg. Corp., 800 N. Kedzie St., plans by Friedman, Alschuler & Sincere, 223 Jackson St., Zone 6, 2 story, 96,000 sq. ft. factory addn. $900,000. CD 9/29/49.

▲ Ill., Chicago—STEEL WORKS EXPANSION—Wisconsin Steel Works, Div. of International Harvester Co., Torrence and 106 Sts., steel works expansion addn., incl. furnace work, 7 new wilpute ovens, soaking pits, chemical recovery equip. $10,000,000.

Ind., Frankfort—FACTORY—California Packing Co., Frankfort, 12,000 sq. ft. steel, brick factory addn. $150,000.

Ind., Jasonville—PLANT—Umbaugh Agricultural Chemical Co., 3593 Central Ave., Memphis, Tenn., fertilizer plant, $300,000.

Ind., Warsaw—FACTORY—Arnolt Corp., S. H. Arnolt, pres., Warsaw, 30,000 sq. ft. factory addn., Argonne Rd. $350,000.

Iowa, Clear Lake—GRAIN ELEVATOR—Farmers Cooperative Co., Clear Lake, grain elevator, $140,000.

Iowa, Sioux City—WAREHOUSE—Kitty Clover Inv. Co., 2200 S. 24 St., Omaha, Neb., branch warehouse. $1,000,000.

Ky., Wilder—SUB-STATION—Union Light, Heat & Power Co., Scott St., Covington, sub-station addns., imprvs. $906,000. Bids in Summer.

▲ La., Baton Rouge—PLANT—Dow Chemical Co., Midland, Mich., chemical plant to produce chlorine caustic soda and organic chemicals. $20,000,000.

Mich., Monroe—FACTORY—Consolidated Paper Co., A. H. Lockwood, pres., Monroe, 50,000 sq. ft. factory addn., $500,000; water waste treatment facilities at south side plant, $150,000.

Minn., St. Paul—FACTORY—National Heater Co., T. J. Costello, pres., 2180 Cleora Ave., plans by Haarstick, Lundgren & Assoc., N. 212 First National Bank Bldg., factory in tract west of Eustis St. and between Valentine Ave. and Doswell St., $250,000.

▲ Minn., Savage—PLANT—Green Giant Co., G. C. Scott, vice pres., LeSueur, can mfg. plant near Minnesota River, north of Hy. 5 and adjacent to Port Cargill, $1,000,000.

Mo., Hazelwood (St. Louis 20 P. O.)—WAREHOUSE—Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., 1126 S. 70 St., Milwaukee 1, Wis., plans by Wedemeyer & Hecker, 111 N. 4 St., St. Louis, Zone 2, 1 story, 65,000 sq. ft., brick, mason steel concrete warehouse with rail and truck loading facilities, U. S. No. 66 and Hazelwood Rd. $650,000.

Mo., St. Joseph—PLANT—Seitz Packing Co., Lake and Packers Ave., plans by John Troy, 2401 N. St., Omaha, Neb., meat packing plant. $350,000.

Neb., Blair—PLANT—Blair Mfg. Co., (successor to Kellwy Ryan Co.), Blair, implement mfg. plant. $125,000.

N. J., Toms River—SALES and SERVICE—Downs Agency Inc., 30 Myers St., plans by Ferdinand F. J. Klebold, 475 Bronx River Rd., Yonkers, N. Y., auto sales and service bldg. $150,000.

N. Y., Beekman-Pawling—LABORATORY—Nuclear Development Assoc., Inc., 80 Grand St., White Plains, general purpose laboratory and service bldg. on 1,100 acre tract. $400,000; and power reactor on 1,100 acre tract, both at Southern Dutchess Experiment Laboratory.

N. Y., Greenburgh—SERVICE GARAGE, etc.—Curry Chevrolet, 728 Central Ave., plans by Henry A. Cook, 66 Wilson St., Hartsdale, service garage and showroom at site, $250,000. To go ahead in Spring 1956.

▲ N. C., Raleigh—PLANT—International Paper Co., R. C. Doane, pres., 220 E. 42 St., New York, N. Y., paper milk carton plant, 11.057 acres on City Farm Property, Wilmington St. Exten. $1,000,000.

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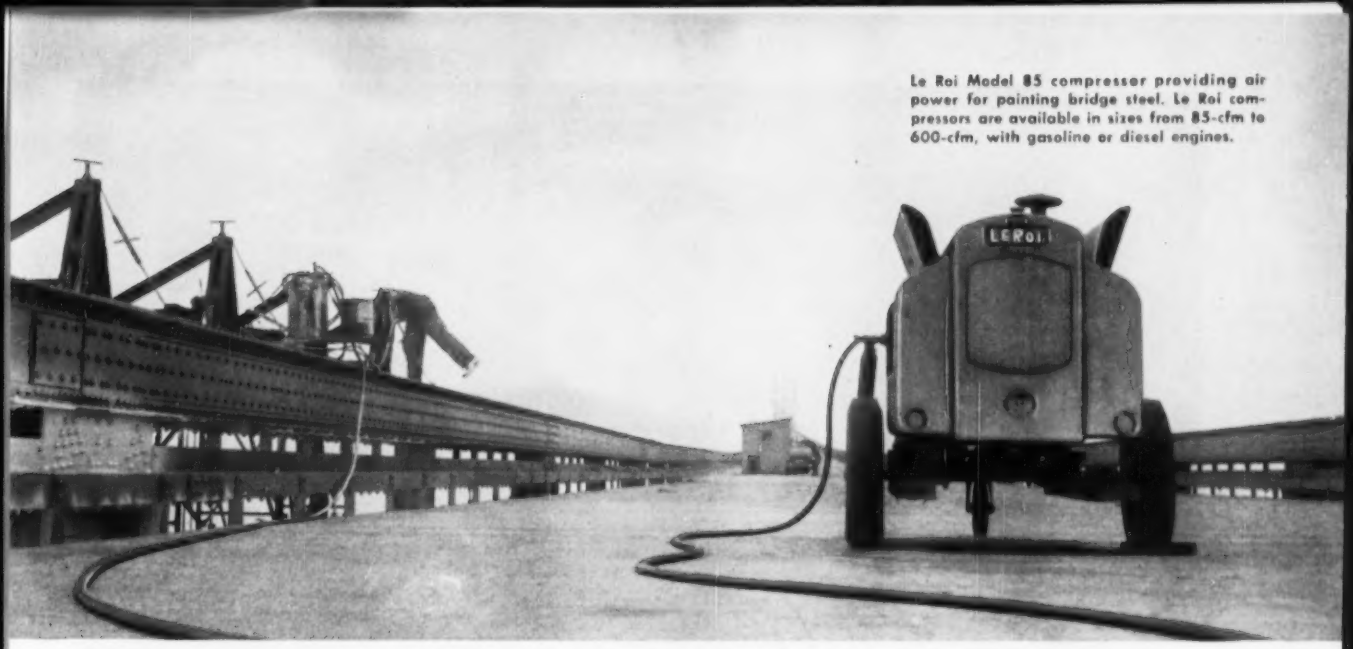

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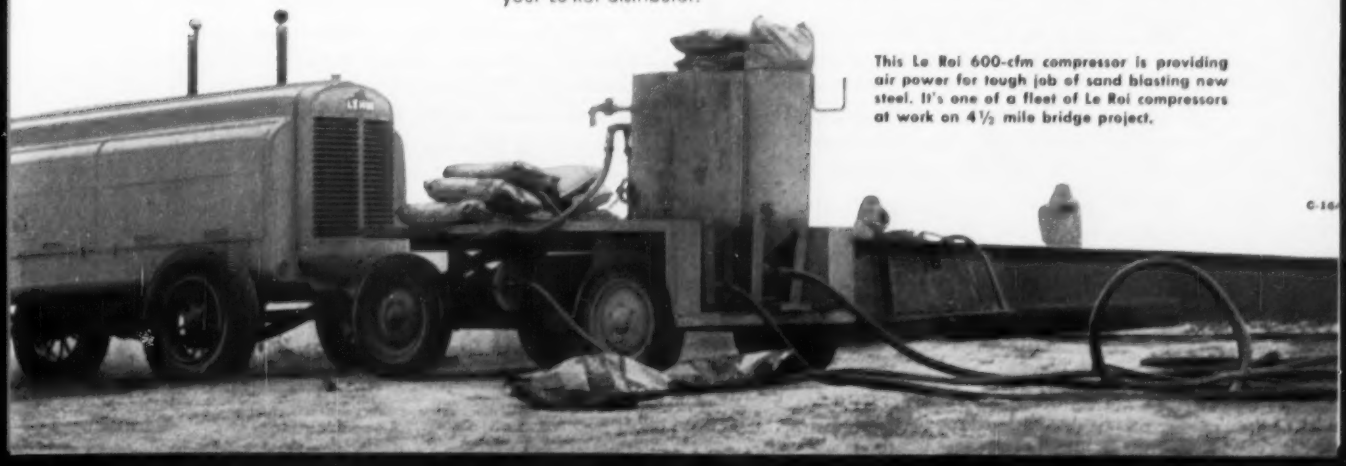

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▲ **O., Cincinnati**—PLANT, etc.—Kroger Co., 35 E. 7th St., plans by Robert Kennedy, 2055 Francis Lane, plant for mfg. instant coffee, 1212 State Ave. $350,000. Bids in Spring; plans by Pansiera & Dohme, 3167 Woodford Ave., 1 story 60,000 sq. ft. brick, structural steel warehouse and garage, Glendale-Milford Rd., $800,000. Bids in summer. Hixson Tarter & Assoc., 2320 Victory Parkway, consult. engrs. for both jobs.

▲ **O., Cincinnati**—BOTTLING PLANT—Pepsi Cola Bottling Co., 810 W. 5 St., brick, structural steel bottling plant, office and warehouse. $1,000,000. Stanley Gorelink, c/o owner, engr.

O., Kettering—ENGINEERING—Delco Products Div., General Motors Corp., Stevens and E. 1st. St., Dayton, Zone 1, 2 story, 85,000 sq. ft. engineering bldg.

O., Marietta—FACTORY—Airolite Co., Marietta, 27,000 sq. ft. factory addn. on east side of present bldg. $150,000.

O., Millersport—FACTORY—Midland Screw Corp., Millersport, 150x240 ft. factory, State Rte. 204.

▲ **O., Solon**—WAREHOUSE—The Kroger Co., 1240 State St., Cincinnati, 300,000 sq. ft. warehouse, 40-acre site Aurora Rd. $3,000,000.

O., Toledo—HEADQUARTERS—Goodwill Industries, Cherry St., headquarters bldg. $350,000.

Pa., Cornwells Heights—PLANT—Tryon Agency, Att. Edward Heffner, Andalusia, research and assembly plant, $150,000.

▲ **Pa., King of Prussia**—RESEARCH and DEVELOPMENT CENTER—General Electric Co., 202 State St., Schenectady, N. Y., research and development center. $5,000,000, J. C. Nowell, c/o owner, mfg. engr. and constr. section.

▲ **Tenn., Dyersburg**—PLANT—Heckethorn Mfg. & Supply Co., 101 W. Alamo St., Littleton, Colo., 55,000 sq. ft. shock absorber plant. $1,000,000.

Tex., Beaumont—PLANT—E. I. duPont deNemours & Co., Inc., Old Port Arthur Rd., plant addn. Over $500,000.

Tex., Dallas—PLANT—Chance Vought Aircraft, Inc., 9314 W. Jefferson St., plant addns., paint mix rooms, etc. $100,000. R. C. Stokes, 801 Burt Bldg., consult. engr.

Tex. Duncanville—PLANT—Owner, c/o Dr. Allen M. Fain, Duncanville, clothing mfg. plant. $250,000.

Tex., El Paso—WAREHOUSE—Luther Transfer & Storage Inc., Box 818, Lubbock, plans by John Ring, Banner Bldg., 1 story, rein.-con., structural steel warehouse. $100,000.

Tex., El Paso—WAREHOUSE—Midland Speciality Co., 426 W. San Antonio St., Midland, plans by A. V. Benner, El Paso Natl. Bank Bldg., 2 story, brick, 45,000 sq. ft. warehouse. $200,000.

Tex., Midland—WAREHOUSE—Midland Specialty Co., Midland, plans by A. V. Benner, El Paso Natl. Bank Bldg., El Paso, 2 story, 45,000 sq. ft. masonry, brick veneer warehouse, $200,000.

Tex., Port Arthur—BATH-LOCKER—Gulf Oil Corp., Port Arthur, plans by Stone & Pitts, archts.-consult. engrs., 1872 Calder St., Beaumont, face brick, concrete, steel frame Bath and Locker Bldg. No. 5 for package and grease plant, $100,000.

Wis., Glendale—PLANT—Square D Co., 4041 N. Richards St., plans by Grassold-Johnson & Assocs., 734 N. Jefferson St., Milwaukee, Zone 2, 180,000 sq. ft. mfg. plant. $150,000.

Wis., Oshkosh—WAREHOUSE—Oshkosh Storage Co., 701 S. Main St., plans by Auler, Dreger, Wiley & Wertsch, archts.-engrs., 46 Washington Blvd., 2 story, 82x138 ft., steel, concrete block warehouse. $150,000.

Wis., Racine—FACTORY—Heinrich Tools, Inc., 1536 Clark St., plans by Hans M. Geyer, 1408 Washington Ave., 1 story, 110x140 ft. factory. $100,000.

Wis., Ripon—FACTORY—Speed Queen Corp., Ripon, 1 story, 140x220 ft., concrete, steel, brick factory addn. $300,000. Sanstedt & Knoop, 22 Otter St., Oshkosh, consult. engrs.

Alta., Edmonton—PLANT—Canada Packers Ltd., Fort Rd. and 70 St., plans by Rule, Wynn & Rule, 11422 Jasper Ave., plant addn. Over $100,000.

Ont., London—PLANT—General Motors Diesel Corp., E. V. Rippingille, mgr., Oxford St. E., plant addn. $300,000.

Ont., Port Robinson—PLANT—North American Cyanamid Ltd., Port Robinson, Xanthate plant, Over $100,000.

▲ **Ont., Toronto**—PLANT, etc.—Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co. Ltd., Vanderhoof Ave., plans by Gordon S. Adamson & Assocs., 52 St. Clair Ave. E. 1 story plant and office, 35-acre site $4,000,000. Wallace, Carruthers & Assocs., 35 Isabella St., consult. engrs.

Ont., Toronto—PLANT, etc.—J. H. Ryder Machinery Co. Ltd., 1130 Bay St., plans by Arthur Heeney, Jr., 12 Langmuir Cres., 2 story plant and office, Hy. 401 and Dufferin St. $250,000. CD 2/7.

Ont., Westminster—FACTORY, etc.—Metallic Fabrication Div., Pittsburgh Glass Co., 70 York St., London, plant by L. G. Bridgeman & Robert Mac Tavish, Royal Bank Bldg., London, 1 story, steel, brick factory and 1 story, steel, brick offices. $200,000. B. A. Hastings, 199 Queens Ave., London, consult. engr.

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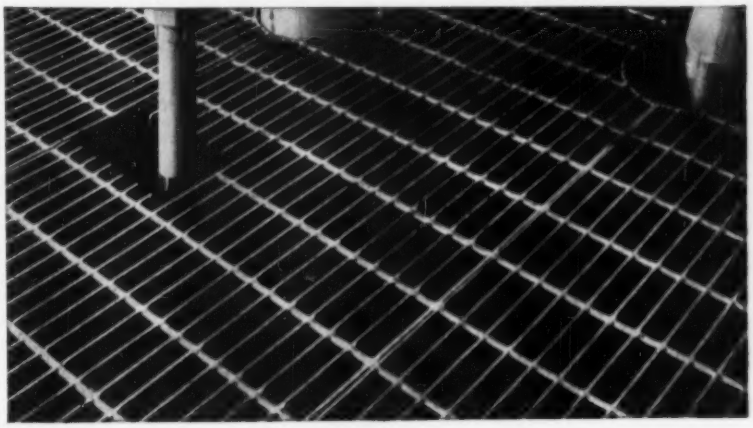
▲ **Ala., Mobile**—BERTHS—Alabama Bureau Docks & Dpt. Docks & Terminal Bldg., 3 berths to docks. $3,000,000. Trotter & Ernst, Eng. Co., 1814 Old Shell Rd., engrs. Bids about 6 months. CD 11/10/52.



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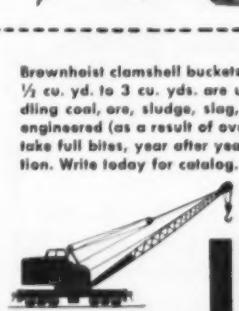

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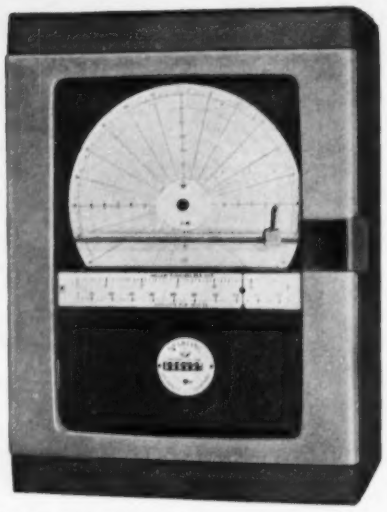

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Calif., Los Angeles—SWIMMING POOL—Los Angeles Dpt. Recreation & Parks, City Hall, plans by Jones & Emmons, 12248 Santa Monica Blvd., swimming pool, Green Meadows Park, **$100,000.** CD 1/15/45.

Calif., Los Angeles — MECHANICAL STAIRWAYS — Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, 3911 S. Figueroa St., 2 mechanical stairways, **$200,000.** Bennett & Bennett, 1165 E. Colorado St., Pasadena, consult. engrs.

Calif., Palm Springs—GOLF COURSE, etc.—City, City Hall, defeated bonds Feb. 4, golf course, **$750,000;** park development, **$120,000.** CD 1/23.

Calif., Palm Springs—LIGHTS—City, City Hall, voted **$155,000** bonds, lights and palm trees on Palm Canyon Dr. and lights on Indian Ave.

Conn., West Hartford—SWIMMING POOL—The Cornerstone Club, c/o R. L. Loomis, town mgr., Town Hall, plans by Willard Wilkins, 945 Asylum Ave., Hartford, swimming pool and locker rooms. **$150,000.** CD 12/19.

Conn., Westport—PARK—State P. Wks. Dpt., 165 Capitol Ave., Hartford, plans by Westcott & Mapes, Inc., 109 Church St., New Haven, filling, grading back of groin and training walls, Sherwood Island State Park, **$300,000.** P. J. Carroll, c/o owner, engr. Clarence Blair Assocs., Inc., 100 Crown St., New Haven, consult. engr. CD 9/21/44.

Illinois — RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES — Shelby Electric Co-operative, Shelbyville, 84 mi. rural distr. lines, 3 mi. 69 kv transmission line and sys. imprvs. Shelby Co. **$645,000.**

Indiana—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—Jasper County Rural Electric Membership Corp., Rensselaer, 18 mi. rural distr. lines, sys. imprvs., Jasper Co. **$450,000.**

Kentucky—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—Union Light, Heat & Power Co., Scott St., Covington, rural distr. lines, from Kentucky-Ohio border to Wilder, Ky. substation. **$729,000.** Bids in Summer.

▲ **Louisiana**—GAS GATHERING LINES—Offshore Gathering Corp., 3625 Westheimer St., Houston, Tex., 364 mi. 20- to 30-in. gas gathering lines in Gulf of Mexico area off shores of Louisiana, Lake Charles. **$60,000,000.**

Minnesota — RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES — Faribault County Co-operative Electric Assoc., Frost, 25 mi. rural distr. lines, sys. imprvs., Faribault Co. **$138,000.** CD 1/3/50.

Nebraska—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—Cedar-Knox County Rural Public Power Dist., Hartington, 17 mi. rural distr. lines, sys. imprvs., Cedar and Knox Counties. **$260,000.** Henningson, Durham & Richardson, 2962 Harney St., Omaha, consult. engrs. CD 6/7/51.

† **N. Y., Charlotte Center**—GAP FILLER—U. S. Eng., 111 E. 16 St., New York, Zone 3, low gap filler at A. C. & W. site. **$100,000.** Cowell-Robinson, 25 W. 43 St., New York, Zone 36, engrs.

▲ **N. Y., Syracuse**—ZOO—City, Parks Dpt., City Hall, imprvs., expansion of city zoo, incl. new bldgs., imprv. existing bldgs. and facilities, addnl. utilities, parking area, children's zoo, **$1,500,000.**

O., Cincinnati—UTILITIES—John Scanlon, Schmidt Bldg., streets, sewers, water lines, approx. 3,300 ft. streets off Ebenezer Rd. **$100,000.** Nunlist & Frolicher, Traction Bldg., consult. engrs.

O., Dayton—COMMUNITY CENTER—City, Herbert Starick, mgr., plans by Arnold F. Igleburger, Hulman Bldg., Lohrey Community Center in Belmont Park, **$187,451,** John F. Hale, city engr. CD 6/30/54.

O., Lakewood—SWIMMING POOL—Lake Shore Hotel, Inc., 12506 Edgewater Dr., Cleveland, Zone 7, swimming pool and cabana club. **$125,000-$175,000.** Koven Steel Pools, 154 Ogden St., Jersey City 7, N. J., consult. engrs.

O., Lebanon—SWIMMING POOL—Lebanon Swimming Pool, Inc., E. Orchard St., swimming pool. **$125,000.** Bids Summer 1956.

Pa., Allentown—BOILER, etc.—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, boiler and boiler plant corrections, **$240,000;** complete change-over from direct to alternating current in electrical system, **$360,000,** at Allentown State Hospital, A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

Pa., Harrisburg—POWER HOUSE—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, power house, revamping electrical sys., and new 10 in. water main, at State Farm Show Building, **$400,000.** A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr.

Pa., Phila.—AQUARIUM—Dpt. Procurement, City Hall Annex, plans by Erling H. Pederson, 1700 Walnut St., aquarium, **$750,000.** CD 2/3/47.

Pa., Pottstown—SWIMMING POOL—Brookside Country Club, Pottstown, swimming pool, clubhouse addn. **$100,000.**

▲ **Texas**—GAS LINES—Trunkline Gas Co., 5650 Kirby St., Houston, 25 mi. pipe line and 8 compressor stations for total 56,000 h.p., Houston-Beaumont areas. **$7,700,000.**

Tex., Amarillo—BASEBALL PARK, etc.—City, City Hall, voted bonds Jan. 7, baseball park, grandstands, appurtenances. **$350,000.** Howard Ensign, 1312 W. 15 St., archt.

Tex., Irving—PARK, etc.—City, City Hall, municipal park, **$100,000;** rein.-con. swimming pool, **$100,000**

Tex., San Antonio—TOWER, and ANTENNA—Southland Industries, Inc., c/o WOAI-TV Station, 1031 Navarro St., 1,389 ft. TV tower and antenna, 45-acre tract, U. S. Hy. 90E. and St. Hedwig Rd. **$200,000.**

Vermont — RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES — Washington Electric Co-operative, East Montpelier, 14 mi. rural distr. line, 3 new sub-stations and sys. imprvs., Washington Co. **$105,000.** CD 4/21/50.

Wyo., Fort Washakie—BATH HOUSE—Owner, c/o Tresler & McCall, archts., Box 900, Cody, bath house, $100,000.

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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **MASSACHUSETTS**—Commonwealth of Mass., Dpt. P. Wks., 100 Nashua St., Boston,
Wes-Julian Constr. Corp., 850 Providence Hy., Dedham, Mass. LB **$4,111,998.** Contr. B. hy. and bridge Southeast Expressway, Dorchester. Bids Mar. 6. CD 2/15.

▲ **CONNECTICUT**—State Hy. Comn., State Office Bldg., Hartford,
Mariani Constr. Co., 222 Forbes Ave., New Haven, LB **$4,889,703.** Proj. 316A-01, multiple span composite girder and beam bridge over West River and Kimberly Ave., multiple span composite rolled beam viaduct for Ramp A, grade separation structure at Boulevard relocation and grading, drainage, paving with b. conc. on Kimberly Ave. and Boulevard, West Haven and New Haven. Bids Mar. 5. CD 2/15.

▲ **CONNECTICUT**—State Hy. Comn., State Office Bldg., Hartford,
C. W. Blakeslee & Son, Inc., 58 Waverly St., New Haven, Conn., LB **$4,271,357.** Proj. 317-04, c. conc. between Sta. 110 plus 0 and Water St., Water St. and West Side of Belle Dock and East Bank of Quinnipiac River to Stile St., New Haven. Bids Mar. 5. CD 2/15.

▲ **CONNECTICUT**—State Hy. Comn., State Hy. Office Bldg., Hartford,
L. G. DeFelice & Son, Inc., Nettleton Ave., North Haven, Conn., LB **$9,123,457.** Proj. 312-01, c. conc. 13.806 lin. ft., incl. grade separation structures at Pembroke St., Seaview, Newfield, Central Union and Hollister Aves. in Bridgeport and Surf Ave., Stagg and Mead Sts., Honeysport Rd. and South Ave. in Stratford, incl. substructures of Yellow Mill Pond Bridge, Stratford Ave. Overpass and Beardsley St. Overpass, Bridgeport and Stratford. CD 2/23, under LB.

▲ **CONNECTICUT**—State Hy. Dpt., State Office Bldg., Hartford,
Frouge Constr. Co., 141 North Ave., Bridgeport, Conn., CA, **$3,937,164,** Proj. 311-03, c. conc. 2.509 lin. ft. Conn. Turnpike, incl. grade separation structures, and ramps, Bridgeport, Fairfield Co. Bids Feb. 6, awarded Mar. 2. CD 2/8, under LB.

MIDDLE ATLANTIC

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

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▲ **Pa., Phila.**—HIGH SCHOOL—BA 4/27 Bd. Educ., 21st and Winter Sts., girls' high school; Broad St. and Olney Ave. $5,000,000. Borie & Smith, 117 S. 17 St., archts. Frederick H. Dechant, 123 S. Broad St., engr. CD 4/25.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **NEW YORK**—State, Dpt. P. Wks., John W. Johnson, supt., The Gov. Alfred E. Smith State Office Bldg., Albany,
Felix Contracting Corp., 602 S. Columbus Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y. LB **$7,066,395,** est. $7,600,000 (6 bidders) constr. 2.49 mi. portion of State Thruway's New England Sect. and 3.05 mi. of access roads from Chatsworth Ave. in Larchmont northeastward to Mamaroneck Ave. in Mamaroneck, Westchester Co. **Bids 3/8.**

▲ **Oakhill Contg. Co., Inc.**, 41-10 102 St., Corona, N. Y. LB **$4,328,954,** est. $4,337,300 (5 bidders) storm water relief sewer, appurtenances 19 Ave., 19 Ave., 80 St., Grand Central Pkwy., 80 St.; storm water sewer, appurtenances in 77 St.; combined sewer, appurtenances 24 Ave., 81 St., 77 St., 30 Ave., 70 St., 80 St., 21 Ave.; existing combined sewer, appurtenances 80 St., Astoria Blvd., 24 Ave.; sanitary sewer, appurtenances in 80 St.; reconstr. sanitary sewer, appurtenances 80 St., NEW YORK. President Queens Boro, Queens Boro Hall, 120-55 Queens Blvd., Kew Gardens 24, N. Y. Bids Mar. 5. CD 2/10.

▲† **B. Perini & Sons, Inc.**, 73 Montwait Ave., Framingham, Mass.; **Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc.**, 319 Broadway Ave., Boise, Idaho; **Peter Kiewit Sons Co.**, 1024 Omaha National Bank Bldg., Omaha, Neb.; **Utah Constr. Co.**, 100 Bush St., San Francisco, Calif., and **Walsh Constr. Co.**, 122 E. 42 St., New York, N. Y. LB **$26,751,838,** est. $21,731,022 (combined bid). Grass River Lock, St. Lawrence Seaway, St. Lawrence River, for St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corp., NEW YORK. U. S. Eng., Niagara and Bridge Sts., Buffalo 7, N. Y. Bids Mar. 6. CD 1/18.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Lasker Goldman Corp.**, 50 East 42 St., New York 17, N. Y. CA **$3,431,000.** general constr. county OFFICE, RIVERHEAD, N. Y. Bd. Supervs. Suffolk Co., Riverhead, N. Y. Grand total $4,851,000. CD 3/6, under LB;
Norman Heating Co., Inc., 26-16 Skillman Ave., Long Island City, N. Y. CA **$774,000.** heating work (Riverhead, N. Y.);
Geeco Electric Constr. Corp., 239 Hempstead Turnpike, Franklin Square, N. Y. CA **$646,000.** electrical work (Riverhead, N. Y.).

▲ **Paul Tishman General Contractor, Inc.** 21 E. 70 St., New York, N. Y., LB **$3,478,889,** est. $3,393,-679. North Allen HOUSING, PHILA., PA. Phila. Housing Auth., 42 S. 15 St., Phila., Pa. Bids Mar. 1. CD 1/25.

▲ **Koppers Co., Inc.**, (Engineering and Construction Div.,) Koppers Bldg., Pittsburgh 19, Pa. CA Total est. **$200,000,000.** design and contract OPEN HEARTH SHOP with seven 350-ton open hearth furnaces and auxiliary equip., soaking pit shop with 16 pits of regenerative type adaptable to blast furnace gas firing, slabbing mill shop with 45x90 in. universal mill and all transportation, utility and related facilities for these installations, SPARROWS POINT, MD. Bethlehem Steel Corp., Bethlehem, Pa. CD 1/31.

SOUTH

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

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March 21 Louisiana
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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **P. Wks. Officer, Dpt. Navy,** Naval Base, Charleston, S. C., rejected bids Feb. 28, waterfront facilities and utilities, Naval Minecraft Base, NOY 94250, CHARLESTON, S. C. LB **$4,520,000.** CD 3/6, under LB.

▲† **McDonough Constr. Co. of Georgia,** 7 Baltimore Pl. N. W., Atlanta, Ga., LB **$3,315,143.** Base Bid **$3,807,433.** Base Bid and Alternate, 280-unit family HOUSING, (Eglin Auxiliary No. 9) ENG-01-076-56-35, HURLBURT AIR FORCE BASE, FLA. U. S. Eng., 2301 Grant St., Mobile 7, Ala. Bids Feb. 28. CD 2/9.

▲† **Dravo Corp.**, Neville Island, Pittsburgh, Pa. CA **$18,461,984** (5 bidders) lock constr., Markland Locks & Dams, Warsaw, Gallatin Co., CIVENG-15-029-56-59, KENTUCKY. U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 59, Louisville 1, Ky. Bids Feb. 29, awarded Mar. 5. CD 3/2, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Babcock & Wilcox Co.**, 161 E. 42 St., New York, N. Y. CA **$24,489,355,** three boilers, 12 stories high for conversion of coal and water to steam at $135,-000,000, 750,000 KW Memphis STEAM GENERATING PLANT, MEMPHIS, TENN. Memphis Light, Gas & Water Comn., 2996 Hy. 61 S., Memphis, Tenn. Bids Jan. 26, awarded 3/1. CD 2/1, under LB.

▲ **Memphis Light, Gas & Water Comn.**, 2996 Hy. 61 S., Memphis, Tenn., rejected bids Jan. 26, structural steel for the Memphis STEAM PLANT, MEMPHIS, TENN. LB **$4,034,000.** Will re-advertise. CD 2/1, under LB.

MIDDLE WEST

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
BRIDGES
March 27 Wisconsin
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▲† **Ohio**—NIKE SITES—BA 4/3—U. S. Eng., New Post Office Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa., 4 NIKE sites at Willowick, Bratenahl, Lake Front and Rocky River, Cuyahoga Co. $4,000,000-$5,000,000. Extended date. CD 2/7.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Ill., Chicago**—APARTMENTS—BA 3/23—Owner, c/o Hausner & Macsal, archts., 104 S. Michigan St., Zone 3, apartment, Lakeshore Dr. and Division St. $2,500,000.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Southwest Development Corp.**, 5546 Pearl Rd., Cleveland 29, O. Own Forces. **$4,400,000,** 350 HOMES, BRUNSWICK, O. CD 1/19.

▲ **Bert Gordon,** 18637 James Couzens, Detroit, Zone 35, Mich. Owner Builds. **$4,500,000.** 400 brick HOUSES, Herrington Hills, Updyke and Featherston Sts., north of Auburn Heights Rd., BIRMINGHAM, MICH.

▲ **Gordon-Begin Co.**, 18450 James Couzens Hy., Detroit 35, Mich. Owner Builds. **$3,250,000.** 250 brick HOMES, Carlyle and Merriman off Michigan, WAYNE, MICH.

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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
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March 28 Montana
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▲ **Montana**—BA 3/28—Ebasco Service, Inc., engr., Trout Creek, Mont., Noxon Rapids Dam and powerhouse on Clark Fork River, 1,054 ft. long, 190 ft., high rein.-con., earthfill for Washington Water Power Co., W825 Trent St., Spokane, Wash. $85,000,000. Extended date. CD 2/29.

▲† **Texas**—BA 4/17—U. S. Eng., Box 1229, Galveston, Brays Bayou channel rectification in part, CIVENG-41-243-56-70. $1,000,000-$5,000,000. CD 3/5.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Minn., St. Paul**—OFFICE—BA 4/12—State Dpt. Admin., P. T. Peterson, dir. Purchases, 19 State Capitol, 8 story, sub.-bsmnt. 146x282 ft., central office for Minn. State Hy. Dpt., Rice St. and Fuller Ave. $6,000,000. Plans deposit $200. Extended date. Ellerbe & Co., E. 505 First Natl. Bank Bldg., St. Paul, archts. CD 2/21.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **Union Pacific R. R.**, W. C. Perkins, ch. engr., 1416 Dodge St., Omaha 2, Neb. Own Forces. **$17,000,000.** 198.99 mi. new 133-lb rail laid in Neb, Colo., Wyo., Utah, Calif., Idaho and Ore.; re-ballasting 181.50 mi. Wyo., Utah, Colo., Kan., Nev., Idaho and Ore.; 47.11 mi. light rail will be replaced on branch lines with heavier second-hand rail; 1 million ties will be replaced on railroad's 10,000 mi. of road, NEBRASKA, COLORADO, WYOMING, UTAH, CALIFORNIA, IDAHO, OREGON, KANSAS, NEVADA.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Knutson Constr. Co.**, 3803 Main St., Houston, Tex. LB **$3,628,000,** est. $3,300,000. 13 story, bsmnt. Memorial HOSPITAL and PROFESSIONAL BLDG. and GARAGE, HOUSTON, TEX. Memorial Hospital, 602 Lamar St., Houston, Tex. Bids Feb. 21. CD 1/31.

▲ **Manhattan Constr. Co.**, 1811 Crawford St., Houston, Tex., LB **$3,016,400.** multi-story OFFICE to be known as "Adams Oil Center", HOUSTON, TEX. Ada Oil Co., c/o K. S. Adams, Jr., 609 Hughes St., Houston, Tex. Bids Feb. 23, CD 2/7.

FAR WEST

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

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BRIDGES
March 28, April 4 California
STREETS AND ROADS
March 28, April 4 California

BUILDINGS—BA

▲† **Calif., Long Beach**—HOSPITAL—BA 4/24—Veterans Admin., Munitions Bldg., Wash., D. C., 3 story, bsmnt., approx. 295,000 sq. ft. Hospital Building No. 122 addn., Veterans Admin. Hospital. $8,000,000. Welton Becket & Assoc., 5667 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 36, archts. CD 5/18.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Vinnell Co., Inc.**, 1145 Westminister St., Alhambra, Calif., CA, **$4,563,000.** ENGINEERING BLDG., tower, CAFETERIA, ENGINEERING TEST BLDG. and utilities, HAWTHORNE, CALIF. Northrop Aircraft, Inc., 1001 E. Broadway, Hawthorne, Calif. CD 1/25.

▲ **Oddstad Homes,** 727 Shasta St., Redwood City, Calif., Owner Builds, **$60,000,000.** 3,000 HOME Subdivision, Crestmont No. 1, Skyline and Redwood Rd., OAKLAND, CALIF. Vernon Demers, 2161 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, Calif., archt.

▲ **Koppers Co., Inc.**, Koppers Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa., CA, **$5,000,000.** design and construct, PLANT to process ethylene into low-pressure polyethylene, Wilmington Ave. and Sepulveda Blvd., WILMINGTON, CALIF. Brea Chemicals Inc., (sub Union Oil Co.), 714 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.

CANADA

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Ont., Toronto**—WOMEN'S—BA 3/26—City, City Hall, 2 story, part bsmnt., 170x180 ft., and 1 story, 240x308 ft. annex, women's bldg., Canadian National Exhibition. $3,500,000. Plans deposit $100. Page & Steele, 72 St. Clair Ave. W., archts. Hooper & Yolles, 111 Richmond St. W., engrs. CD 1/17.

ALASKA

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **M-B Contg. Co., Inc.**, Lloyd Bldg., Seattle 1, Wash. CA **$8,944,575,** extending and strengthening runway, hardstands and truck-fill stand, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Inv. 56-31, ALASKA. U. S. Eng., Anchorage, Alaska, Bids Feb. 14. CD 2/17, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲† **S. S. Mullen, Inc.**, 621 9th Ave. N., Seattle, Wash. LB **$3,477,306.** BARRACKS, MESS HALL BLDG., RADIO RECEIVER BLDG., GARAGE and RIGGERS SHOP, EMERGENCY POWER and HEATING PLANT, TERMINAL EQUIP. BLDG., rein.-con. water supply sys., etc., Naval Station, Spec. 37594, KODIAK, ALASKA. P. Wks. Officer; 17th Naval Dist., 908 7th Ave., Seattle, Wash. Bids Mar. 1. CD 1/20.

AMERICANS ABROAD

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

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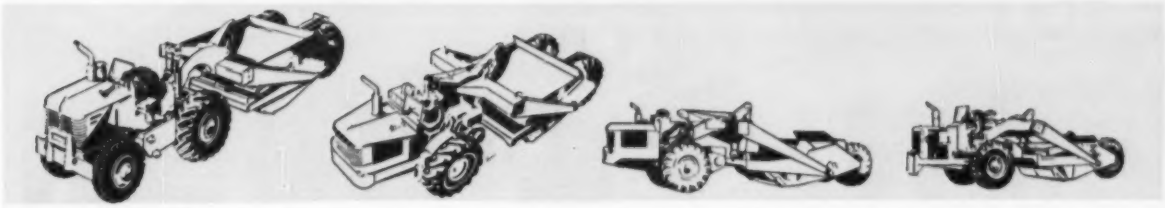

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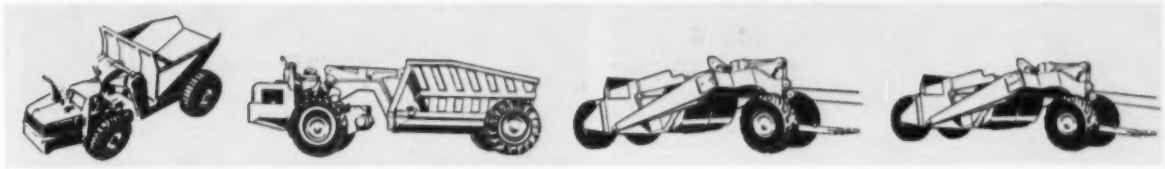

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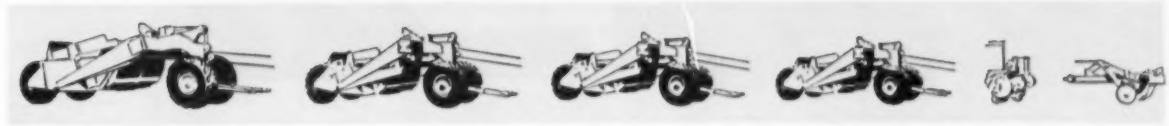

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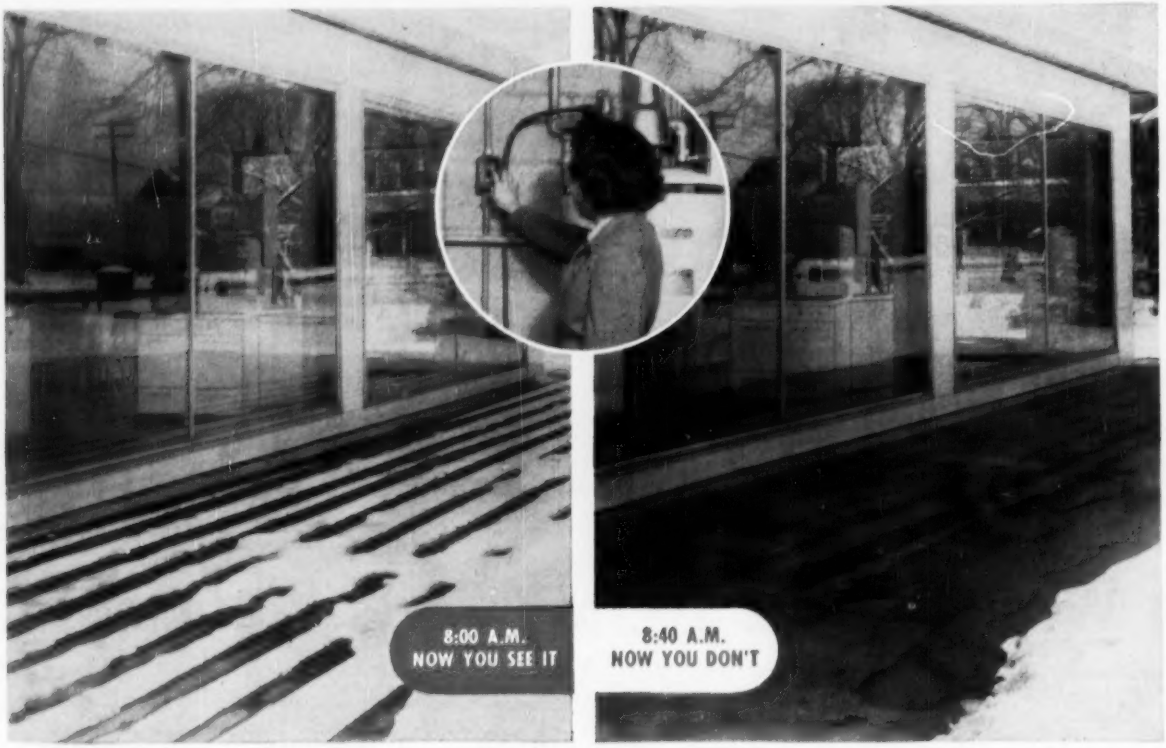

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Earthwork Bidding Takes $20 Million Contract on Robinson Bay Lock on St. Lawrence Seaway

The Robinson Bay Lock on St. Lawrence Seaway with miter gates, an emergency vertical lift gate, and about 3,400 lin ft of roadway passing through a tunnel under the lock will cost $20,172,451.

The contract covers the construction of the lock, 860 ft long, 80 ft wide, and 30 ft deep over the sills, with a maximum lift of 49 ft; excavation, backfill and grouting, frame and cover assemblies, and wall protection. The owner will furnish these items: wire rope fenders, lock gate operating machinery, generator unit, dewatering pumps, stiffleg derricks, electric unit heaters, stop logs, and pick-up beams.

Work is for the Buffalo District Office of the Corps of Engineers. For their hydraulic tests to solve design problems of the 46-ft vertical gate, see ENR, Oct. 27, 1955, p. 52. R. F. Airis, Massena, New York, is area engineer.

The contract went to the joint venture Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc., New York, Walsh Construction Co., New York, and Perini, Quebec. Their bid on earthwork items, 17.2% below the second low bid, kept their total 1.3% below the second bid and 6% below the engineer's estimate. Each of the contractors has previous contracts for the St. Lawrence Seaway or Power work.

The contract price for Robinson Bay Lock is based on the alternate that asks for portland cement mixed with natural cement. The other alternate, based on the use of portland cement only, drew a low bid of $20,487,596.

Concrete must have a cement content ranging from 2.5 to 6 bags per cubic yard, according to structural requirement and size, type, and gradation of aggregates used (6", 3", 1½"). Federal Specifications WW-P-421, Type I or II, Class 150, is applied for bell and spigot cast iron pipe and WW-P-356, Type A or B, for threaded cast iron pipe.

Work started January 23, 1956 and is scheduled to be completed in three stages: 1. all work, except final clean-up, seeding, sodding, and canal excavation in the area of the site that is occupied by the Barnhart Island and Long Sault Island extension highways and railroads, by January 1, 1958; 2. final clean-up by June 1, and 3. seeding and sodding by October 1 of the same year. A period of 200 calendar days after the lock has been put in operation is allowed to test and adjust the equipment and to complete the final clean-up for the acceptance of all work. Liquidated damages are $1,000 per calendar day after January 1, 1958 and $2,000 after June 1, 1958.

This schedule appears tight, especially considering an expected shortage of labor in this area. During the time allowed, 500,000 cubic yards of concrete are to be placed in two construction seasons which normally last 8 or 9 months in St. Lawrence County.

To ease traffic on the highways, the Corps of Engineers is encouraging rail transportation and requests that all concrete aggregate materials be shipped by rail.

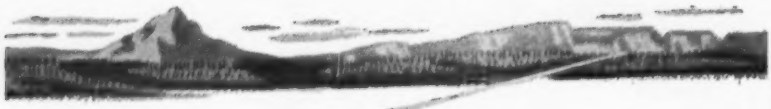
Minimum wage rates include $1.90 to $2.40 for unskilled laborers, $2.45 to $3.30 for equipment operators, $3.00 to $3.55 for electricians, $3.35 for cement masons, and $3.40 for iron workers.

For earlier unit prices on St. Lawrence Seaway and Power contracts see ENR Aug. 12, 1954, p. 21; Feb. 24, 1955, p. 78; Apr. 21, 1955, p. 154; and July 7, 1955, p. 96.

The three low bidders on Robinson Bay Lock are:

1C	Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc.—Walsh Const. Co., New York—Perini, Quebec.	$20,172,451
2	Merritt, Chapman & Scott Corp., New York	$20,446,296
3	Al. Johnson Const. Co., Minneapolis—Peter Kiewit, Omaha—Art Johnson, New York—Condon-Cunningham Co., Omaha	$21,397,565
EE	Corps of Engineers, Buffalo	$21,466,512

Bids: 1-10-56 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit Prices 1C	2
General Work				
Excav, common	cy	3,440,000	$0.80	$0.90
rock	cy	13,000	11.60	7.00
Embankment, dike	cy	500,000	0.20	0.45
uncompact	cy	132,000	0.08	0.20
Bkfl, random, compact	cy	1,380,000	0.30	0.50
select, extr compact	cy	137,000	0.20	0.65
Filter material	cy	68,000	2.93	4.65
Pervious fill, compact	cy	5,500	0.83	1.00
Roll, addnl, for compact	hr	350	16.20	12.00
Rock toe	cy	1,000	5.25	10.00
Riprap, dumped	cy	20,000	5.40	8.00
hand placed, grout	cy	1,340	39.00	30.00
Piezometers	ea	29	122.00	350.00
Derrick stone	cy	11,000	11.10	8.00
Equip, drill & grout, mobilz & demobilz	ls	job	6,210	4,000
Drill, core, 3"-holes	lf	16,000	5.25	6.20
diamond, 1⅜" holes	lf	30,000	3.55	2.75
Test, pressure	hr	200	17.00	13.00
Portland cmt in grout	bag	20,000	1.45	1.40
Grout, place	cf	20,000	3.45	2.75
Grout hole, connections	ea	1,500	5.00	5.00
Monolith joint grouting, pipe syst for	ls	job	5,850	8,000
wash & test	hr	50	44.00	35.00
grout for	bag	100	12.00	7.00
Drill core in conc, 10"	lf	60	24.40	25.00
Conc, 6"-agg	cy	500,000	17.70	18.00
3"-agg	cy	11,500	18.70	49.00
1½"-agg	cy	900	71.30	80.00
Portland cement *	bbl	413,000	...	5.00
used with natl cmt †	bbl	309,750	5.65	5.00
Natural cement †	bbl	103,250	5.00	4.60
Steel reinf	lb	2,500,000	0.142	0.13
Metal fabric	lf	11,000	0.24	0.30
Water stops, copper	lf	9,500	3.62	4.00
rubber	lf	650	7.00	4.00
Electrical Frame and Cover Assemblies				
Frame & cov, type B3238 for elec MH & hndhls	ea	8	486.00	300.00
type B3234, elec MH	ea	4	245.00	300.00
type B3210, elec hndhls	ea	10	342.00	300.00
for type F hndhlls	ea	24	167.00	160.00
for hndhls at tunn portals	ea	2	425.00	350.00
Frame and Cover Assemblies on Tops of Lock Walls				
Frame & cov assemb for recess of miter gate gear	ea	4	6,850	5,000
motor	ea	4	608.00	900.00
fill & empty culv blkh	ea	8	459.00	350.00
stop log-lock wall	ea	4	226.00	200.00
lower pool supply culv downstream blkhd	ea	1	191.00	200.00
upstream blkhd	ea	1	183.00	200.00
fender hydr equip, No. 1, 2, 3, N wall & aux fender A, both walls	ea	5	500.00	500.00
fender hydr equip, No. 1 & 2, S wall	ea	2	234.00	300.00
3, N wall	ea	1	670.00	700.00
dewater pit, opening 4'6"x3'2"	ea	2	172.00	250.00
2'x2'	ea	1	84.00	200.00
mooring bitt	ea	7	136.00	200.00
tainter valve	ea	4	3,810	3,000
machy	ea	4	1,420	1,500
tunn drain culv valve	ea	1	415.00	400.00
lift gate	ea	2	2,530	2,500
hydraulic	ea	2	540.00	500.00
dewater culv valve	ea	1	166.00	200.00
connection, fender 3, N wall	ea	1	214.00	250.00
Fender recess frames, both walls	lb	6,000	0.43	0.35
conc cov, both walls	sf	1,946	10.20	5.00
stl plat cov, N wall	ea	3	54.80	50.00
Wall Protection Items				
Wall armor, str stl	lf	26,000	11.35	9.00
Plate, str stl, recess protection	lf	3,600	10.22	8.50
parapet curb protect	lf	1,550	32.40	24.00
wall protection	lf	3,640	9.78	6.50
gage well protection	lf	250	14.50	6.00
Cap, cast steel, parapet curb	ea	34	109.50	60.00
lock & guide wall	ea	54	43.70	27.00
Fender assemb, timber	lf	3,770	19.80	22.00
Miscellaneous Items				
Snubbing buttons	ea	184	218.60	100.00
Ladders, lock wall	lf	990	23.20	18.00
guide wall	lf	110	28.50	22.00
Hatch cov, type VA-15	ea	12	205.00	200.00
type VA, special	ea	1	288.00	250.00
Grate & frame, crossover gallery gutt & cable	lf	29	6.93	10.00
Trash racks, LPS culv	ea	8	285.00	300.00
dewatering culv	ls	job	1,277	1,200
Door, hollow met, doubl	ea	1	600.00	500.00
singl	ea	2	226.00	300.00
Ladder safety device, tunn drain culv recess	ea	1	835.00	500.00
LPS culv valve recess	ea	1	510.00	350.00
dewatering pit	ea	1	454.00	350.00
fill & empt culv intake	ea	24	695.00	700.00
Ladder rungs	ea	888	11.65	10.00
Diesel fuel system	ls	job	1,470	3,400
Bulkhead frame, miter gate motor shaft	ea	4	95.25	100.00
LPS culv, downstream	ls	job	492.00	1,000
Bulkhead, LPS culv, upstr	ls	job	2,990	2,500
Cable riser metals, upstream, N wall	ls	job	6,700	6,300
S wall	ls	job	6,870	6,500
downstream, N wall	ls	job	15,100	12,500
S wall	ls	job	14,900	12,500
Float moor bitts, compl	ea	7	5,700	3,500
Met, embed, stop log recess, upstream	ls	job	26,900	11,000
downstream	ls	job	20,700	9,000
storage pit	ls	job	3,770	3,500



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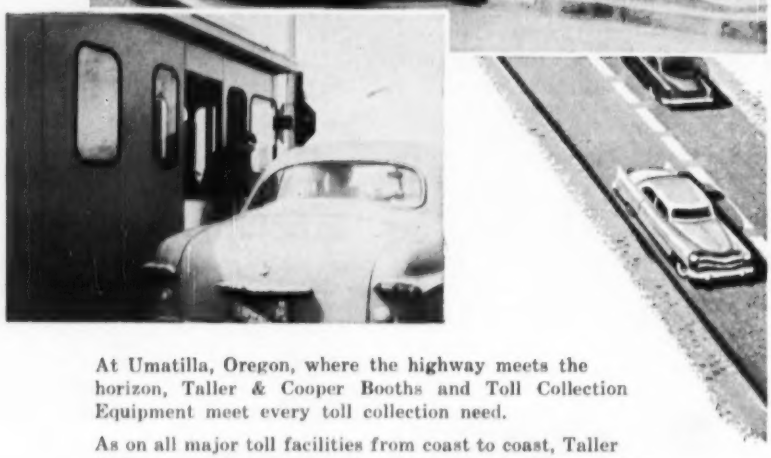

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Cable trench frames & cov, spread rm, upstr	ls	job	1,160		1,000
downstr	ls	job	2,070		1,800
Metals, fender recess, No. 1, N&S walls	ls	job	9,000		9,000
No. 2, N&S walls	ls	job	9,000		9,500
No. 3, N&S walls	ls	job	8,800		8,500
aux fender A, N&S wall	ls	job	8,150		8,000
lift gate recess	ls	job	7,700		7,500
valve recess & culv, tunn drain culv	ls	job	1,480		1,500
valve recess, dewater culv	ls	job	5,950		4,000
LPS culv	ls	job	3,470		1,800
miter gate motor & gear	ls	job	870.00		1,500
dewatering pit	ls	job	4,540		5,000
gage well, upper guide wall	ls	job	662.00		700.00
lower guide wall	ls	job	505.00		700.00
Dewatering pit, mech work	ls	job	4,240		4,500
Steel, misc.	lb	37,000	0.515		0.43
Handrail, access bldg	lf	25	4.00		8.00
stl pipe, exterior	lf	960	8.85		12.00
alum	lf	400	17.40		20.00
Plates, culv nose	ea	4	352.00		370.00
Wire fence, woven	lf	230	20.10		30.00
Timber, supp, in stop log storage yard	ea	27	67.00		60.00
Tile gages	lf	120	31.40		26.00
tunnel	ls	job	84,400		90,000
Tunnel, membrane,waterproofing for	ls	job	18,700		16,000
pneumatic mortar for	ls	job	18,800		21,000
highway	ls	job	149,000		196,000
Control house, upstream lock	ls	job	93,700		55,000
downstream lock	ls	job	97,500		65,000
Bikhd, cable gallery	ls	job	855.00		700.00
Exhaust fan, in water supply room	ls	job	189.00		200.00
Manholes	lf	350	68.80		65.00
CMP, culv, 18"	lf	48	4.75		15.00
Pipe, culv, 18"	lf	580	8.70		7.00
24"	lf	42	12.00		25.00
30"	lf	51	16.80		23.00
36"	lf	420	18.45		20.00
Drain struct, conc	cy	350	104.50		65.00
CMP, 11" x 18"	lf	200	4.75		10.00
CP, 12", perf, extr stre	lf	500	9.50		10.00
36", perf	lf	1,740	18.90		80.00
Pipe, 12", perf	lf	3,000	6.45		8.00
Ditches, paved	sy	1,900	13.75		13.00
CIP drain, 6"	lf	130	6.40		15.00
Miter gates, complete	ls	job	705,000		822,000
Culv valv & embed met	ea	4	20,800		25,000
blkhds & embed met	ls	job	41,100		18,000
Lift gate, vertical	ls	job	329,500		400,000
Elevator	ls	job	19,200		12,000
Valve, culv, LPS	ls	job	9,200		9,000
drain, A	ls	job	5,950		6,000
B	ls	job	1,775		2,000
dewater, lock, C	ls	job	6,100		6,000
Power driv, elec portabl	ls	job	745.00		800.00
Fender, wire rope, l	ea	3	21,400		4,000
aux, wire rope l	ea	1	15,200		3,500
Machy, vertl gate, l	ls	job	58,900		4,000
lock gate, l	ea	4	4,600		2,000
lock valv, l	ea	4	8,450		1,500
Generator, diesel l	ls	job	3,130		3,000
Pump, dewater l	ls	job	3,400		3,000
Stiffleg derrick l	ea	2	5,560		4,000
Plant equip, water & air,l	ls	job	5,650		4,000
Heaters, elec unit, l	ls	job	3,240		3,000
Access building	ls	job	2,106		400.00
Stop logs l	ea	16	2,340		1,000
Conduit installation	ls	job	91,400		95,000
Grounding syst, elec	ls	job	11,300		9,000
Control center, north	ls	job	15,400		11,000
south	ls	job	12,550		6,000
Tunnel lighting	ls	job	40,900		48,000
vent syst	ls	job	10,850		6,000
comm & power duct syst electric	ls	job	24,600		23,000
Wiring	ls	job	14,600		6,000
Water suppl & dist syst	ls	job	59,800		54,000
Drain syst, interior	ls	job	78,000		70,000
Compr air pipe syst	ls	job	16,450		15,000
Sewage syst	ls	job	15,800		30,000
Embankment, highway	cy	4,000	0.31		1.00
Foundation course	cy	11,000	2.83		3.00
Shoulder drains	ea	53	31.30		50.00
Stone base crse, filled	cy	900	9.65		4.00
Waterproofing, upp slf	ls	job	4,770		4,000
Stone bases, penetrated	t	2,550	6.55		3.50
Bit matl, penetr method	gal	33,000	0.24		0.17
Asph conc—plant mix	t	2,200	12.00		8.50
Seed & mulch	ac	159	358.00		330.00
Fertilizer	t	40	122.00		100.00
Sodding	sy	12,000	1.23		1.40
Field office	ls	job	33,200		40,000
Safety marks, paint	ls	job	125.00		2,000
Stone or gravel, cr	ls	job	6,200		7,500
Guard rail	lf	1,000	5.10		3.50
Parking area, paint	ls	job	627.00		200.00
Holes, 3", & grout anchors, drill	lf	3,500	3.40		5.00

• * Total of second low bid on this alternate: $20,487,596
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Chicago Area	4.60	4.50	4.65	9.25	$5.45	94.50	113.00	5.825	7.90	5.625	.....
Pittsburgh Area	4.60	4.50	4.65	9.25	5.45	94.50	113.00	5.825	7.90	5.625	$11.50
Buffalo Area	4.60	4.50	4.65	9.25	5.45	94.50	113.00	5.825	7.90	5.625	11.50
Cleveland	.....	.....	4.65	9.25	5.45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.50
Youngstown Area	.....	.....	4.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.90	.....	.....
Geneva	4.60	4.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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Chicago	7.43	6.23gu	6.23gu	49.00‡	60.00‡	
Cincinnati	7.90ak	7.56re	.....	41.00mn	45.50mn	
Cleveland	7.76	6.41c	.....	41.00‡	45.50‡	
Dallas	9.05	7.40	7.40	40.00	52.00	
Denver	8.95	8.00e	.....	54.00n	60.00n	
Detroit	7.90	7.38	.....	56.00	63.00	
Kansas City	7.95a	7.75	.....	49.00	60.00	
Los Angeles	8.15fd	7.60	.....	54.50	60.50	
Minneapolis	7.79d	8.10b	8.10b	42.50	47.00	
Montreal	7.70–8.15fC/7.75–8.15A	7.50/8.65k	7.50/8.65	65.00h	70.00h	
New Orleans	.....	7.05ak	.....	44.50	49.50	
New York	8.19	7.65y	7.65y	44.50no	51.00no	
Philadelphia	8.04	7.14	.....	42.50‡	47.00‡	
Pittsburgh	6.98	7.37z	6.95	39.78	41.90	
St. Louis	7.83e	6.75c	6.75c	57.00l	58.00l	
San Francisco	8.55	7.55j	.....	47.50	53.00	
Seattle	5.35e	7.00cj	.....	55.00nr	61.00nr	
Toronto	8.40*	7.25	7.25	53.50nq	67.50nw	

Quantity extras, per cwt., under 100#, +$5; 100-399#, +$3; 400-999#, +1.25; 1000-1999#, +.5¢; 2000-4999#, base price; 5000-9999#, −.1¢; 10,000-19,999#, −.3¢; 20,000-29,999#, −.5¢; 30,000 and up, −.7¢

EXTRAS, per cwt.—*Quantity: less than 700#, +.8¢; 700-1499#, +.35¢; 1500-2999#, +.1¢. *Size: #7, +2¢; #8, #9, #10, #11, +3¢. *Bending: heavy, +.4¢; light, +$2 (except in New York City and surrounding metropolitan area where bending must be done on the job). *Engineering (details and placing from designs by others): over 500 tons, +.4¢; 200-500 tons, +.5¢; but not over $4500; 20-200 tons, +.6¢ but not over $2000; 5-20 tons, +.7¢ but not over $240; under 5 tons, +.8¢ but not over $70. *Design only: +.6¢.

*‡ Delivered *a 2000-9999# *b 10,000-15,999#, fob city *c 20 tons or over *d 10,000-19,999# *e fob plant *f incl. delivering in free zone *g CL *h list price; dominion tax exempt; add provincial and municipal taxes *i add dominion, provincial and municipal sales taxes *j intermediate and hard grade *k fob city *l delivered; contractor to do unloading *m copper alloy *n LCL *o asphalt coated *p del. of 500 sq. yd. or more. *q 3% *r 2% off for cash *s 2,000-4,999# *t add 15¢ del. *u add 6.25¢ switch *v incl 15¢ del. *w 3.5¢ *x add 5¢ switch *y add 30¢ del. *z add 10¢ del. *A American made. *C Canadian made. † Number system replaces Inch system of classifying bar sizes. New system is based on number of eighth inches in diameter of bar. *** Aver. of Canadian & American.

PLUMBING, HEATING, WATER, SEWER AND DRAIN PIPE

	C. I. PIPE PRICE INDEX‡a	ASBESTOS CEMENT PIPE per lin. ft. f.o.b. city 6" Pv Cl. 150	ASBESTOS CEMENT PIPE per lin. ft. f.o.b. city 12" Sew Cl. 1	VITRIFIED SEWER PIPE Per foot, Delivered ASTM C13-44T std. 8 in. s.s.	std. 12 in. s.s.	24 in. ds.	36 in. ds.	CLAY DRAIN TILE ASTM C4-24 PER 1,000 ft., carload lots, f.o.b. 6 in.	8 in.	CONCRETE SEWER PIPE Per ft., delivered: ASTMC 14-41 12 in.	24 in.
Atlanta	113.6	$1.56	$2.60	$.545	$1.27	$4.82	$12.925	.....	.....	$0.88m	$3.25m
Baltimore	122.9	1.56	2.60	.595	1.1475	4.50v	12.095	$178.20	$274.80	1.01	2.75
Birmingham	109.3	1.56	2.60	.44	.81	3.55w	10.37w	260.00‡	440.00‡	1.25m	2.75m
Boston	125.5	1.58	2.39	672qrl	1.296qrl	5.31qrl	.....	197.40r	303.60r	1.54mg	3.65mg
Chicago	122.9	1.56	2.39	90m	1.74m	6.25m	19.00m	180.00‡	270.00‡	1.00	3.65
Cincinnati	118.0	1.58	2.47	665M	1.2825M	4.905M	12.505	240.00	370.00	.80m	2.95m
Cleveland	123.6	1.56	2.47	539n	1.0395n	4.275M	11.275M	149.40m	231.60m	.85m	3.25m
Dallas	120.1	1.58	2.73	439	.799	4.00b	9.17b	.....	.....	.40	1.60
Denver	129.0	1.66	2.73	45n	.78n	3.48n	.....	.....	.....	.74m	2.80m
Detroit	123.9	1.58	2.47	.85	1.65	6.45	17.50	240.00m	370.00m	.95	3.82
Kansas City	120.7	1.58	2.47	61	1.105	4.54	12.75	250.00	480.00	.90	2.90
Los Angeles	131.1	1.66	2.39	67l	1.46l	5.97l	14.90l	228.20l	348.90l	.95	2.75l
Minneapolis	131.0	1.61	2.60	.78mo	1.42mo	6.25mo	.....	.....	.....	1.66h	4.47h
Montreal	.....	.....	.....	1.02u	1.80u	6.30u	12.00u	.....	.....	1.17h	3.11j
New Orleans	116.0	1.56	2.60	.51	.925	5.18	.....	350.00p	550.00p	.75	2.50
New York	121.5	1.58	2.39	.94	1.78	6.96	18.14	.....	.....	1.15	3.00
Philadelphia	120.9	1.56	2.39	.65	1.25	4.95x	12.65x	300.00‡	350.00‡	1.60h	3.95h
Pittsburgh	124.7	1.58	2.39	468m	.864m	3.86m	9.78m	152.00	244.00	1.05h	2.50h
St. Louis	119.3	1.56	2.47	.56	1.00	4.22	9.80	180.00l	300.00l	1.30d	2.80d
San Francisco	131.1	1.66	2.39	74d	1.62d	6.59d	16.47d	235.00l	392.00l	1.05m	3.30m
Seattle	131.1	1.66	2.39	66b	1.26b	6.34	17.90	205.00r	.....	1.00h	3.10h
Toronto	.....	.....	.....	76	1.425	5.70	.....	157.00	280.00	.87	3.05

*WROUGHT STEEL PIPE (Full standard weight) Discount from list; see footnote

Mill	3½ to 6 in., Lap Weld, Black %	3½ to 6 in., Lap Weld, Galv. %	2½ & 3 in., Butt Weld, Black %	2½ & 3 in., Butt Weld, Galv. %
Lorain, Ohio	19.50s	5.25s	25.00	11.75
Aliquippa, Pa.	13.50s	+0.25	25.00	11.75
Spartansburg, Pa., Md.	18.50d	+0.75d	25.00	11.75
Beaver Falls, Pa.	18.50d	+0.75b	25.00	11.75
Beaver, W. Va.	18.50d	+1.25d	25.00	11.75
Youngstown, O.	17.50d	+0.25d	25.00	11.75
Indiana Harbor, Ind.	17.50b	0.25b	25.00	10.75
Sharon, Pa.	.....	.....	25.00	11.75
Wheatland, Pa.	.....	.....	25.00	11.75
Fontana, Calif.	17.50b	0.25b	25.00	15.25

*‡ Delivered. *a PRICE INDEXES for CENTRIFUGAL CAST IRON PIPE (Include carload freight allowed to city). These also serve as the HISTORICAL RECORD of THE $ PER NET TON PRICE of CLASS B, B&S, PIT CAST IRON PIPE. F.O.B. Foundry Price Indexes Birmingham, Ala., 109.3; Burlington, N. J., 118.1. *b Extra strength ASTM C 200-44T *c 4-in., $113 *d SS361-A *e 30-in. *f 21 in. *g culvert pipe; reinforced, ASTM C 76-41 *h reinforced, ASTM C 75-41 *i reinforced, ASTM C 76-37 *j centrispun; no standard specs. in Canada *k 2% off for cash *l fob plant *m truck delivery *n LCL delivered, fob truck *o listed price based on LCL (no min.) *p freight allowed to destination in city *q ASTM C 13-40 *r CL fob origin, freight allowed *s 2 ft lengths *t 3 ft lengths *u CESA A 60-1941 specs. used *v standard strength *w ss; add 20% for d.s.

* WROUGHT STEEL PIPE: Deduct discounts shown above from the following standard list consumers carload prices to get mill price. List prices per ft. (based on approx. $200 per net ton): Butt Weld ¼ in., 6½¢; ⅜ in., 6¢; ½ in., 6½¢; ¾ in., 8½¢; 1 in., 11½¢; 1¼ in., 17¢; 1½ in., 23¢; 2 in., 37½¢; 2½ in., 58½¢; 3 in., 76½¢. Lap Weld 3½ in., 92¢; 4 in., $1.09; 5 in., $1.48; 6 in., $1.92. Add freight rates plus 3% transportation tax to get destination price.

WROUGHT IRON PIPE: List prices per ft. same as for wrought steelpipe, but add following "discounts" to get Pittsburgh mill price: Butt Weld—1 in. black, + 50.25, galv., + 78.50; 1¼ in. black, + 50.25, galv., + 78.0, 1½ in. black, + 46.75 galv. + 74.25; Lap Weld—2½ in. to 3 in. black + 52.50 galv. + 78.50; 4½ in. to 6 in. black + 49.50 galv. + 73.75 Add freight rates plus 3% transportation tax to get destination price.

† Threaded and coupled. a 3½ to 4 in. b Continuous weld. c 5 and 6 in. d 6 in.

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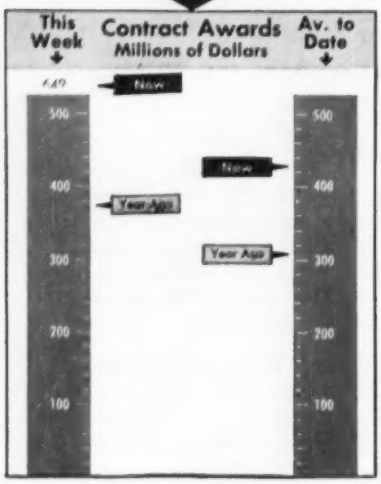
Construction Scoreboard

Activity this Week



AMOUNT OF CONTRACTS LET

By Ownership	This Week	1956	Cum. 11 wks Chge %
	$ millions		
Federal	$50.3	$409.1	+8
State and Municipal	125.5	1,277.5	+35
Total Public	175.8	1,686.6	+28
Total Private	473.1	3,105.8	+44
U. S. Total	$648.9	$4,792.4	+37
By Type of Work			
Waterworks	$3.5	$54.0	−11
Sewerage	12.6	157.4	+96
Bridges	5.8	112.2	+6
Highways	35.3	445.2	+25
Earthwork, Waterways	24.2	140.6	+73
Buildings:			
Public, Excl. Hsg.	65.1	415.2	+14
Public Housing	8.5	98.8	+153
Private Housing	167.9	1,430.0	+5
Commercial	23.3	474.2	+76
Industrial	275.7	1,080.4	+149
Unclassified	27.0	384.4	+18
U. S. Total	$648.9	$4,792.4	+37

NOTE: Minimum size projects included are: Waterworks and waterways, $44,000; other public works, $73,000; industrial buildings, $93,000; other buildings, $344,000.

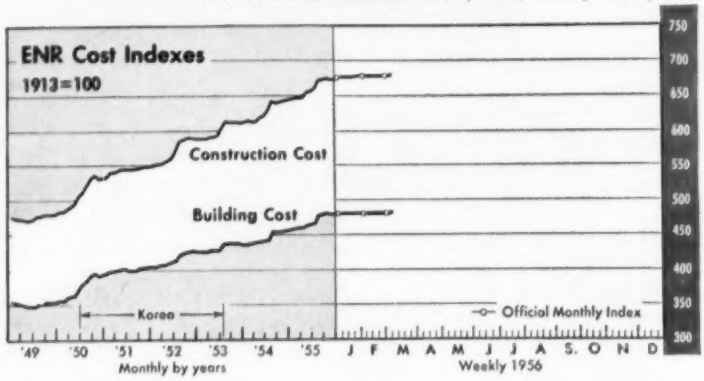
NEW CAPITAL FOR CONSTRUCTION

	Week of Mar. 8 1956	Cum. 10 wks '55-'56	Chge %
	$ millions		
Corporate securities	$58.5	$465.2	−23
State and Municipal:			
All Except Housg.	209.3	929.5	+30
Housing	...	20.3	−43
Federal Loans	0.3	18.3	...
Federal Aid	...	...	...
Total Nonfederal	$268.2	$1,433.3	+4
Federal Appropriations:			
In U. S.	$...	$34.4	...
Outside U. S.	...	...	...
Total New Capital	$268.2	$1,467.7	+7

Cost Indexes as of Now

ENR INDEXES (1913 = 100), 20-cities' average	1956 Mar. 8	Percent Change from last Month	Year
Construction Cost	681.18	+0.2	+5.1
Building Cost	483.52	+0.1	+5.2

To convert above indexes to 1926=100: Divide Construction Cost by 2.080; Building Cost by 1.845. 1949=100: Divide Construction Cost by 4.770; Building Cost by 3.518.



CONTRACTS AWARDED Millions of dollars	1956 Feb.	2-Mos.	Percent Change from 1955 Feb.	2-Mos.
Total U. S., ENR reported	$1,781.2	$3,374.0	+64	+42
Private	1,243.8	2,110.6	+85	+43
Public	537.4	1,263.4	+31	+40
State and Municipal	414.6	946.0	+35	+49
Federal	122.8	317.4	+18	+19
ENR Volume Index, 1913 = 100	736	691	+60	+36
NEW CAPITAL FOR CONSTRUCTION Millions of dollars				
Total U. S.	$606.1	$993.2	+15	−5
State and Municipal Bond Sales	383.1	644.4	+20	+8
Corporate Security Sales	216.7	333.8	+9	−22
Federal Loans, Aid (nonfederal work)	6.3	15.0	−28	−11
Federal Appropriations (federal work)	0.0	0.0	0	0

MATERIALS SHIPMENTS Unit	1955 or 1956 Nov.(N) Dec.(D) Jan.(1)	Mos.(11) Mos.(12) Mos.(1)	% Change from '54 or '55 Mo.	Year Cum.
Portland cement, Bur Mines, thous bbls	21,682(N)	275,699(11)	− 5	+ 7
Concrete Paving Awards, PCA thous sq yd	6,920(J)	6,920(1)	− 3	− 3
Fabricated Structural Steel, thous tons	250(J)	250(1)	+11	+11
Bookings, AISC thous tons	405(J)	405(1)	+68	+68
Reinforcing Bars, Net, AISI thous tons	194(D)	2,165( )	+58	+24
Lumber, NLMA mil fbm	2,778(D)	39,605(12)	− 9	+ 7
Orders mil fbm	2,965(D)	39,744(12)	− 6	+ 6
Production mil fbm	2,888(D)	39,105(12)	− 6	+ 5
Douglas Fir Plywood, DFPA, 3/8" basis				
Production (ave. per week) mil sq ft	101.7(J)	101.7(1)	+ 9	+ 9
Orders (average per week) mil sq ft	95.5(J)	95.5(1)	− 4	− 4
Clay Products, Bur Census				
Brick, Unglazed, Common, Face mil bri	581.0(N)	6,531.8(11)	+ 6	+15
Vitrified Clay Sewer Pipe thous tons	157.2(N)	1,756.5(11)	+12	+16
Structural Tile, Unglazed thous tons	64.4(N)	774.9(11)	−10	− 7
Asphalt Products, Bur Census				
Asphalt Roofing thous sales sqs	2,707(D)	62,931(12)	−14	+ 6
Asphalt Siding thous sales sqs	74(D)	1,292(12)	−12	− 9
Aluminum, Wrought, Net, Bur Census				
Plate, Sheet, and Strip mil lb	137.1(N)	1,404.0(11)	+32	+33
Roll Struc Shapes, Rod, Bar, Wire mil lb	31.7(N)	336.6(11)	+20	+ 1
Extr Shapes, Tube Blms, Tubing mil lb	67.6(N)	722.1(11)	+40	+57
EMPLOYMENT AND FAILURES				
Contract Const Employment, BLS thous	2,243(J)	2,243( )	0	0
Contractor Failures, Dun & Bradstreet				
Number	126(J)	126(1)	+45	+45
Liabilities thous	$6,163(J)	$6,163(1)	−32	−32

* Average per month

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VIBRATING SCREEN—SYMONS 48" x 14'—2½ Deck

DRYER—MADSEN Counter-Flow 84" x 30'

BURNER—12" Low-Pressure Air-Oil Burner Unit

DUST COLLECTOR—MADSEN No. 380 "On-The-Square" Dust Collector

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Work Put-in-Place

February matches volume of same month last year

Despite an anticipated 5% seasonal decline from January to February, construction put-in-place last month matched the record volume of February 1955, the Department of Commerce and Bureau of Labor Statistics announced last week.

The February figure of $2.7 billion brought the cumulative two-month total to $5.5 billion, virtually the same as the January-February 1955, figure. On a seasonally-adjusted basis, outlays for construction put-in-place are running at an annual rate of $41.5 billion, as against the $42.3 billion actually put-in-place last year.

Most of the 5% decline from January to February was due to a continued down-trend in housing, the government reported. Private spending for residential construction during the month of February dropped below the $1-billion mark for the first time since April 1954.

Aside from housing, the picture was generally bright. The value of work put-in-place on private, non-residential building set a new February record.

Industrial building also set a record, topping the figure reached in January 1956, by 2%.

While all major types of construction contributed to the 4% decline in public spending in February, most types declined less than usual for the season. Outlays for highway construction, schools, and sewers and water works posted new records for the month of February.

Sub Sues City

Seeks sale of airport to satisfy $79,000 lien

A Connecticut subcontractor is seeking a court order for the sale of the Portland, Maine, Municipal Airport, to satisfy a $79,000 mechanic's lien.

Cosgrove Construction Co., Inc., of Branford, Conn., was subcontractor on a $1-million project involving construction of a new 5,000-ft runway. General contractor on the project was American Paving Co., of Meriden, Conn.

Work on the runway was halted last Nov. 29, a week after the City of Portland rejected a request made by Edward J. Sangivanni, president of American Paving Co., for extra money to excavate a large area of ledge that had been uncovered.

The city has sued in Federal District Court to force Sangivanni's bonding company to take over and complete the remaining two-thirds of the project. In a countersuit Sangivanni charges that he encountered 70,000 cu yd of ledge where plans showed only earth. City officials ruled he was not entitled to extra money because the contract called only for "unclassified construction." Sangivanni received the contract on a low bid of $788,000. This was $251,000 under the second low bid.

Cosgrove filed a mechanic's lien under a Maine law that permits recovery of costs for labor and materials put in place—and permits sale of the property to pay the claim, if necessary.

Cosgrove charges that he has received only $137,000 for $217,000 worth of work done. Sangivanni, in his suit, claims to have received only $193,000 on work valued to date at $443,000.

Progress has not been materially delayed so far because the general contractor had planned to suspend operations for three months during the winter. Now, the city has employed a local contractor, at a cost of $34,000 to protect the work already performed.

The project is being financed jointly by the federal government, state and city.

Business Briefs . . .

• **Mortgage and lending slackens**—The volume of new mortgage lending by savings and loan associations dropped in January. Total loans closed during the month amounted to $652 million, down 12% from last year's record January level.

• **Tile makers expand**—Manufacturers of ceramic tile are expanding plant capacity to increase production 35% by the end of 1956. The tile business is booming. Sales of ceramic wall and floor tile rose from $15.8 million in 1940 to a record $105 million in '55.

• **Bond approvals up**—While municipal bond sales have been setting a record pace, voters have been busy approving new issues to be sold in the coming months. During January and February, voters approved $458.9 million in new bond issues.

• **N. Y. housing starts drop**—Private housing starts in New York State declined to the lowest January level since 1952. The total—4,430—was 19% under January 1955, according to state housing officials.

• **Dividend policy**—Directors of Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp. voted to pay dividends of 6% in stock and $1 in cash, rather than all in cash as in recent years. The company, which has been paying $2 a year in dividends reported that gross revenues last year totaled $375.4 million.

Soviet Twist: Let the Seller Beware

Veteran California builder A. F. Oddstad, who thought he sold a visiting Russian delegation a house (ENR Nov. 10, 1955, p. 22), now wonders if the Soviet delegation sold him a bill of goods.

The mass production techniques used by Oddstad for a project at San Bruno, Calif., intrigued the Russian housing experts. And, to the surprise of their American hosts (the National Association of Home Builders), I. K. Kozuilia, Minister of Urban and Rural Construction, announced that the Russians wanted to buy one of the Oddstad houses that would be identical to the model home shown.

Price offered no apparent obstacle as Oddstad quoted a figure of $8,000 for house plus $4,000 for the furniture, FOB San Francisco docks. Kozuilia discussed at length the best methods of shipping the house to Moscow, agreed that the total cost of about $40,000 to get the house to Russia was not exorbitant, and assured Oddstad that details of the transaction would be handled by Amtorg, the Soviet trading agency. But Oddstad found that it isn't that easy to sell a house to the Russians. In fact, he's not sure even now that they're going to buy the house.

Despite voluminous correspondence with Amtorg, the California builder finds the deal is just about where it was when the Russian housing experts walked out of the model home and headed back to the Soviet Union. He has no down payment, no contract, no written agreement of any sort. The Department of Commerce hasn't issued an export license for the house—because it hasn't been asked to do so. As of now, the Russians have the publicity, and Oddstad has the house.

Delegates take a careful look at major goals as the AFL-CIO building trades open their Second Legislative Conference in Washington—and then converge on Capitol Hill to explain to senators and congressmen . . .

Why Labor Wants What It's Asking

The AFL-CIO building trades successfully launched their legislative program last week when more than 2,200 union members converged on Washington from all parts of the nation to tell their story to Congress.

Although their most important mission was to seek support for changes in the Taft-Hartley Act, they were more immediately concerned with inclusion of prevailing wage requirements in the pending multi-billion highway and school construction programs. Their attention was also focused on passage of the 2,000,000-unit Lehman Housing Bill and modernization of the Davis-Bacon Act.

Meeting in the mammoth ballroom of Washington's sprawling Sheraton-Park Hotel for the Second Legislative Conference of the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL-CIO, the delegates listened attentively to a host of speakers, armed themselves with facts and figures and then fanned out to Capitol Hill to explain their goals.

When reports were tallied at the close of the well-organized and arduous four-day conference, the delegates felt encouraged. Most had received friendly receptions from their senators and congressmen, and many had obtained assurances of full or partial support. For the building trades, it looked like progress in the right direction.

Much of the success of the conference was attributed to the candid leadership of President Richard Gray, who made it clear at the outset that the purpose was simply to educate and tell "with courtesy and due respect" the story of building tradesmen to congressmen without coercion or financial inducement of any kind.

Considered by its sponsors to be "reasonable, justified and in the public interest," the program was presented —and will be pushed—on its merits. Through the program, the building trades are seeking legislation that will preserve and strengthen the trade union movement and what it has achieved. They are following one of the basic tenets of the AFL-CIO—that the welfare of America lies in the welfare of the great mass of its citizens who work for wages.

• **Prevailing wages**—On the economic front, the unions' most pressing problems relate to highway and school construction. In these, the building trades have a three-fold interest: The national need for vast improvements in both areas, the tremendous construction activity which the programs will generate, and the threat to present wage standards if Congress fails to include prevailing wage provisions. Of the bills before Congress, two have been singled out for endorsement:

The Fallon highway bill (H.R. 8836) which proposes a 40,000-mile

interstate highway system to be constructed over a period of 13 years at a cost of $27.5 billion, 90% to 95% of which would be financed by the federal government. Now in the House Public Works Committee, the bill contains no prevailing wage clause. The unions are asking for one on the interstate phase only.

The Kelley school bill (H.R. 7535) calling for a four-year school construction program costing $3.2 billion with the federal government matching state expenditures. Now bogged down on the segregation issue in the House Rules Committee, the bill does contain a prevailing wage clause which the unions hope to retain.

It's estimated that the highway proposal—described as the biggest public works proposal in history—would create 151,000 new construction jobs a year. Those which would result from the school program—57,000.

The unions are asking for the prevailing wage provision to protect—not to raise—existing wage scales. Their argument is that ever since passage of the Republican sponsored Davis-Bacon Act 25 years ago, our public policy has frowned on use of the government's purchasing power to undercut prevailing wage rates. Over the years, the principle has been extended on eight occasions to various forms of federally-assisted construction, such as those embraced in the Federal Airport, and Hospital Survey and Construction Acts. The unions feel the principle should logically be extended to the big highway and school construction programs.

At the same time, the building trades are asking for a major overhaul of the Davis-Bacon Act to bring the law up to date. They are endorsing two bills—S. 1285 and H.R. 4566—which are aimed at four objectives:

• Extension of coverage to all federally-assisted construction, including such indirect forms as the insurance and guarantees contained in the VA and FHA programs. Despite the eight piecemeal extensions, the basic law still applies to direct federal construction only. The result is that even though one-third of all new construction is now financed to some degree by the federal government, only 11% is subject to prevailing wage requirements.

• Inclusion of fringe benefits in the determination of prevailing wages. To the disadvantage of many contractors who have participated in the great growth of fringe benefits—such as health and welfare, retirement and vacation pay—wage determinations are still based on basic rates only.

• Recognition of prevailing practices as to hours of work and overtime pay. Under this proposal, not less than time-and-a-half would be paid for hours in excess of eight a day, hours in excess of 40 a week, work in excess of five consecutive days, and work on Saturdays and Sundays and legal holidays. It's aimed at putting contractors on an equal bidding basis and at the protection of prevailing conditions of employment.

• More effective administration through centralization of the powers of investigation and enforcement in the Secretary of Labor. They're now scattered among 50 or more agencies.

• Also closely related to the public welfare is the interest of the building trades in housing. They say that at least 2,000,000 new units a year are necessary if the nation is to keep abreast of its growing population and the deterioration of its present buildings. Another side of the coin is the natural interest in additional jobs created by a high level of home construction—which reached 40% of all construction put in place last year.

To accomplish their goals, the building trades have endorsed the complex Lehman Bill (S. 3158), which is a 60-page omnibus housing bill aimed at the construction of 2,000,000 housing units a year—plus stepped-up activity in the fields of slum clearance and rehabilitation.

• **Taft-Hartley**—Most important of all the legislative goals is achievement of some relief from what Gray calls the "impossible situation" created by the Taft-Hartley Act which has never been dove-tailed with the traditional pattern of construction employment.

Among the bills introduced earlier this month: H.R. 4565 and S. 1269.

The bills are aimed at four main objectives:

1. Legalization of prehire contracts, which would require union membership after the seventh day of employment. Nondiscriminatory referral practices and the setting of minimum training, apprenticeship and experience qualifications would also be permitted. In support of the proposal, the building trades point to the fact that only one-half of one percent of the 3,500,000 construction workers—in an industry that accounts for 14% of the national income—are covered by certification elections. While in effect denied the right of representation because of the very nature of the construction industry, construction workers are nevertheless subject to all the restrictions and limitations imposed by the law.

2. Change the secondary boycott provisions to legalize boycott activity by construction workers when both the primary and secondary employer are working at a common construction site. If this change were made, the unions say, union workers would no longer be forced to work side by side on a project with nonunion men.

3. Eliminate the provision that requires issuance of a mandatory injunction before a case is heard on its merits. The provision now applies to employes only. Unions that have felt it most are those in the building trades. Two-thirds of all mandatory injunctions issued in fiscal 1954, for instance, were against these unions.

4. Repeal of Section 14 (b), which permits states to enact right-to-work or compulsory open-shop laws. Such laws are now on the books of 18 states. This is the most crucial issue of all because it goes to the heart of union security. Neither the prehire nor secondary boycott proposals could be generally effective unless Section 14 (b) were repealed. If repealed, union shop contracts would undoubtedly be permissible only where interstate commerce is affected—for that is the Constitutional clause on which rests the Congressional authority to legislate in the labor field.

In pressing for the Taft-Hartley changes, the building trades are aware—as they are with the rest of their goals—that they must appeal to Congress on the basis of the public welfare as well as their own interests. On this score, their appeal covers a number of points, including the favorable effect which a healthier and more stable construction industry would have on the national economy as a whole.

• **A continuing process**—When the conference ended on Thursday, the work of the delegates was far from over. Under the conference plan, those who attended the session are now back home instructing the rank-and-file on what the legislative program is and what it means to union construction workers. Local members will be urged in turn to continue sending the "grass-roots" story to Congress.

In the long run the unions' strongest card is the one they put in the ballot box. When he addressed the delegates on Thursday, AFL-CIO President Meany cautioned them to be realistic. "We must use the power of the AFL-CIO," he said, "to get men on Capitol Hill who understand the ideals of the American labor movement and who believe that the welfare of the country is tied to the welfare of its workers."

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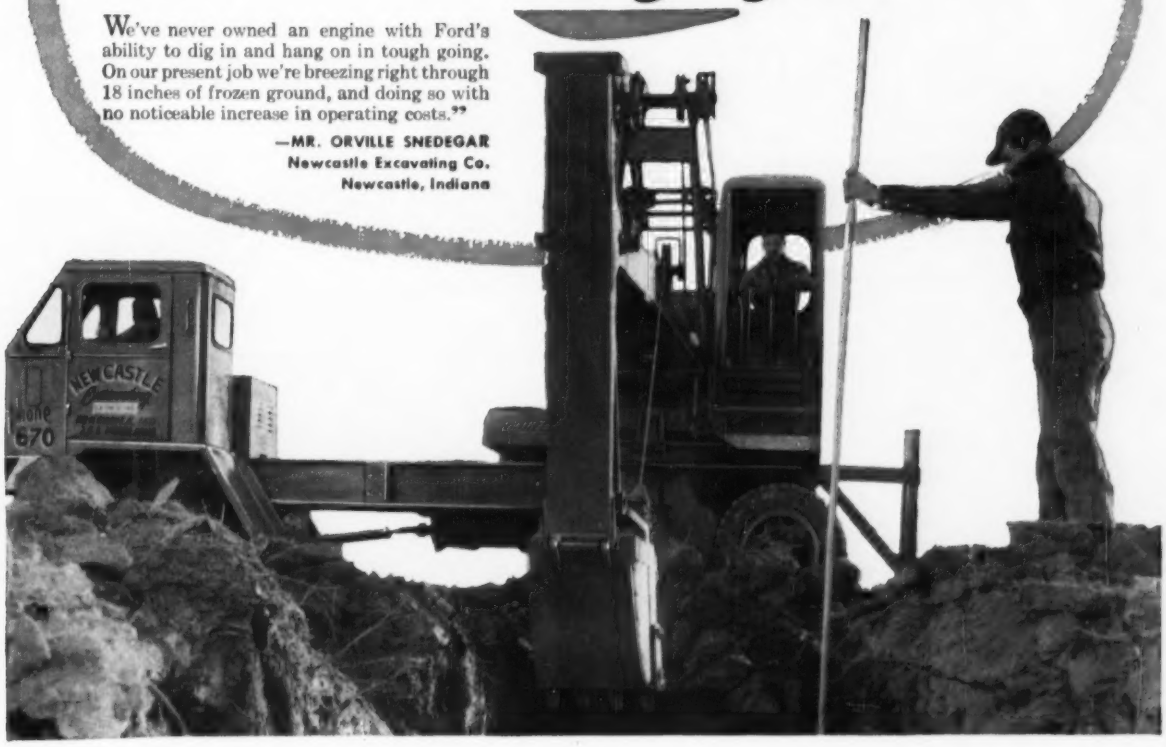

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OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: April 3, 1956

Power Authority of the State of New York

ST. LAWRENCE POWER PROJECT
ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS
FOR THE
REHABILITATION OF THE
MASSENA-TAYLORVILLE
TRANSMISSION LINE, NEW YORK
SPECIFICATION NO. PA-5-14033
ST. LAWRENCE CONTRACT NO. M3

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: The POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK will receive sealed proposals for the Rehabilitation of the Massena-Taylorville Transmission Line, New York, in the following ways:

(1) If Brought in person on the day of receiving bids, until 10:30 A.M. Eastern Standard Time on the 3rd day of April 1956, 270 Broadway, Hearing Room C on the 6th floor, New York, New York.

(2) If mailed in, until 10:15 A.M. Eastern Standard Time on the 3rd day of April 1956, at the Authority's office, 270 Broadway, Room 1300, New York 7, New York.

The proposal will be publicly opened and read aloud at the time and at the address given in (1) above.

Bids will be entertained for furnishing the equipment and services and performing the work in accordance with the bidding schedule. Completion of the work will be required on or before July 1, 1957.

Plans, specifications and Proposal Forms for the work will be on file in the Authority's office and in the offices of the Engineer, Uhl, Hall and Rich, 230 Congress Street, Boston 10, Massachusetts, may be inspected by prospective bidders during office hours, and may be obtained from the Power Authority of the State of New York, 270 Broadway, Room 1300, New York 7, New York, upon application and prepayment of a fee of ten ($10.00) dollars per initial set of contract documents and five ($5.00) dollars per set for additional sets, no part of which will be refunded. Two sets must be returned with each bid.

Bids must be made in duplicate in accordance with instructions contained in the Information for Bidders. Guarantee will be required with each bid in an amount not less than 10 percent of the gross sum bid.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

W. S. CHAPIN
GENERAL MANAGER

PA-5-14033

Bids: April 11, 1956

City of Knoxville, Tennessee

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SEALED PROPOSALS, invited by the City of Knoxville, will be received by the Director of Public Service in the City Council Chamber, City Hall Park, Knoxville, Tennessee, until 10:00 A.M. E.S.T. April 11, 1956, at which time they will be opened and publicly read aloud. And the contract awarded as soon thereafter as practicable for the construction of the Riverfront-Willow Avenue Redevelopment Project, Division "A", flood control works and sanitary sewer readjustments.

The following unit quantities are involved in the flood control works: 43000 cu. yds. of earth excavation, 31600 cu. yds. of rock excavation, 643,000 sta. yds. of surplus disposal, 3500 cu. yds. of compacted embankment, 3240 cu. yds. of pervious fill, 6975 cu. yds. of Class "A" structural concrete, 4585 cu. yds. of Class "B" structural concrete, 200 cu. yds. of Class "C" structural concrete, 2,240,000 lbs. of concrete reinforcing steel, 26,200 lbs. of welded wire fabric and 5150 lineal feet of 6" perforated drain pipe.

The following unit quantities are involved in the sanitary sewer readjustments: 2350 lineal feet of 48" pipe, 367 lineal feet of 27" pipe, 12 sewer manholes, 4050 cu. yds. of rock excavation and one sewer crossing under channel.

Four hundred and fifty calendar days will be allowed for this construction.

The Instructions to Bidders, proposal, specifications and plans may be examined at the office of the City Engineer, City Hall, Knoxville, Tennessee. Copies of these contract documents may be obtained upon the deposit of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) for any set. Any bidder, upon returning such set promptly and in good condition, will be refunded his deposit, and any non-bidder, upon so returning such set, will be refunded one-half of his deposit.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a satisfactory cashiers or certified check or bid bond, made payable to the City of Knoxville, in the amount of five per cent (5%) of the total bid, as assurance that the bid is made in good faith.

All bidders must be licensed contractors, as required by Chapter 135 of the Public Acts of 1945, as subsequently amended by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee.

Attention is called to Section 9 of the Rules and Bylaws adopted April 27, 1945 by the State Board of Licensing General Contractors, Nashville, Tennessee, which reads in part as follows:

"The architect or engineer shall direct that the number and date of license appear on the envelope containing the bid, otherwise the bid will not be opened."

The City of Knoxville reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid which it deems most favorable to the interest of the City, after all bids have been examined and canvassed.

CITY OF KNOXVILLE
(Signed) R. I. Gentry
Director of Public Service

Date: February 24, 1956

Knoxville, Tennessee

Bids: March 27, 1956

Power Authority of the State of New York

ST. LAWRENCE POWER PROJECT
ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS
FOR
THE FURNISHING AND DELIVERY OF
LOAD CENTER UNIT SUBSTATIONS
AND APPURTENANCES
SPECIFICATIONS NO. PA-5-14008
ST. LAWRENCE CONTRACT NO. P36

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: The POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK will receive sealed proposals for the design, manufacture and furnishing of seventeen (17) load center unit substations and delivery thereof f. o. b. destinations, in the following ways:

(1) If brought in person on the day of receiving bids, until 10:30 A.M., Eastern Standard Time on the 27th day of March, 1956, Hearing Room C on the 6th floor, 270 Broadway, New York, New York.

(2) If mailed in, until 10:30 A.M. Eastern Standard Time on the 27th day of March, 1956, at the Authority's office, 270 Broadway, Room 1300, New York 7, New York.

The proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the time and at the address given in (1) above. Bids will be entertained for the seventeen (17) load center unit substations and associated equipment and services in accordance with the bidding schedule. Erection at the site of installation will be done by Others but services of an erecting engineer shall be provided by the manufacturer if and when required. Delivery of the equipment will be required starting June 1, 1956.

Plans, Specifications and Proposal Forms for the work will be on file in the Authority's office and in the offices of the Engineer, Uhl, Hall & Rich, 230 Congress Street, Boston 10, Massachusetts, and the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, 620 University Avenue, Toronto 2, Ontario, may be inspected by prospective bidders during office hours, and may be obtained from the Power Authority of the State of New York, 270 Broadway, Room 1300, New York 7, New York upon application and prepayment of a fee of Ten ($10.00) dollars per initial set of contract documents and Five ($5.00) dollars per set for additional sets, no part of which will be refunded. Two sets must be returned with each bid.

Bids will not be restricted to American manufacturers.

Bids must be made in duplicate upon the proposal forms included in and bound with the Contract Documents. A bid deposit will be required with each bid in an amount not less than 10 percent of the gross sum bid.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

W. S. CHAPIN
PA-5-14008 GENERAL MANAGER

Bids: April 19, 1956

Power Authority of the State of New York

ST. LAWRENCE POWER PROJECT
ADVERTISMENT FOR PROPOSALS
FOR
THE FURNISHING AND DELIVERY OF
TUNNEL DIVERSION GATES
FOR
LONG SAULT DAM
SPECIFICATIONS NO. PA-5-15079
ST. LAWRENCE CONTRACT NO. P35

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: The POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK will receive sealed proposals for the manufacture and furnishing of thirty-four (34) Tunnel Diversion Gates for Long Sault Dam and delivery thereof f.o.b. destination in the following ways:

(1) If brought in person on the day of receiving bids until 10:30 A.M. Eastern Standard Time on the 19th day of April, 1956, 270 Broadway, Hearing Room C on the sixth floor, New York 7, New York.

(2) If mailed in, until 10:15 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, on the 19th day of April, 1956, at the Authority's Office, 270 Broadway, Room 1300, New York 7, New York.

The proposal will be publicly opened and read aloud at the time and at the address given in (1) above.

Bids will be entertained for thirty-four gates having a total weight of approximately 1500 tons.

Bids will not be restricted to American manufacturers.

Plans, specifications and proposal forms for the work will be on file in the Authority's office and in the offices of the Engineer, Uhl, Hall & Rich, 230 Congress Street, Boston 10, Massachusetts, and the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, 620 University Avenue, Toronto 2, Ontario, and may be inspected by prospective bidders during office hours, and may be obtained from the Power Authority of the State of New York, 270 Broadway, Room 1300, New York 7, New York, upon application and prepayment of a fee of Twenty ($20.00) dollars per initial set of contract documents and Ten ($10.00) dollars per set for additional sets, no part of which will be refunded. Two sets must be returned with each bid.

Bids must be made in duplicate upon the proposal forms included in and bound with the Contract Documents. A bid deposit will be required with each bid in an amount not less than 10 percent of the gross sum bid in the bid schedule.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

W. S. CHAPIN
GENERAL MANAGER

PA-5-15079

Bids: April 5, 1956

Proposal No. 772

ADVERTISEMENT
THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
FOUR POWER DISTRIBUTION
TRANSFORMERS

Sealed proposals for furnishing and delivering of four power distribution transformers for New York International Airport will be received at the office of the Director of Purchase and Administrative Services of The Port of New York Authority, Room 900, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York 11, until 11 A.M., Thursday, April 5, 1956, at which time and place proposals will be opened and read.

Contract documents may be obtained upon request at the office of the Director of Purchase and Administrative Services.

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
Donald V. Lowe, Chairman

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: March 22, 1956

New York State Road Work

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ALBANY, N. Y.—Pursuant to the provisions of Highway Law, sealed proposals will be received until 10:30 A.M., Eastern Standard Time, on March 22, 1956 by Henry A. Cohen, Director, Bureau of Contracts and Accounts, 14th Floor, the Governor Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, Albany, N. Y. for

SOIL EXPLORATIONS AND FOUNDATION INVESTIGATIONS AT VARIOUS SITES ON ROUTE 17 EXPRESSWAY—TWADELL BROOK TO TYLERS SWITCH, TOWNSHIP OF HANCOCK—DELAWARE COUNTY, WHICH CONSTITUTES CONTRACT NO. SPEC. SM-83

Maps, plans and specifications may be examined and obtained at the following offices:

(a) Bureau of Contracts and Accounts, 14th Floor, The Governor Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, Albany 1, New York.

(b) Mr. F. J. Weber, Acting District Engineer, 71 Frederick Street, Binghamton, New York.

(c) Mr. William M. Trainer, Associate Contract Engineer, Department of Public Works, 270 Broadway, New York City.

The deposit for a set of plans, specifications and proposal forms is $5.00. A refund in full will be made to bidders for return of one set in good condition within 30 days of award or rejection of bids; refund for all other sets in good condition, similar period, will be 50% of deposit.

The Engineer's estimate of cost for this work is $36,100.00.

Proposal for this contract must be submitted in separate sealed envelope with the name of the contract plainly endorsed on the outside of the envelope. Proposal must be accompanied by draft or certified check, payable to the order of the "State of New York, Commissioner of Taxation and Finance" for the sum of $1,810.00. The retention and disposal of the bidding check, the execution of the contract and bonds shall conform to the provisions of the Highway Law, as set forth in "Instruction to Bidders."

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

J. W. JOHNSON
SUPERINTENDENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS

Bids: April 3, 1956

Proposal No. 773

ADVERTISEMENT
THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
TWO SETS OF PRIMARY SWITCHGEAR
NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Sealed proposals for furnishing and delivering of two sets of primary switchgear for New York International Airport will be received at the office of the Director of Purchase and Administrative Services of The Port of New York Authority, Room 900, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York 11, until 11 A.M., Tuesday, April 3, 1956, at which time and place proposals will be opened and read.

Contract documents may be obtained upon request at the office of the Director of Purchase and Administrative Services.

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
Donald V. Lowe, Chairman

Bids: April 2, 1956

Palm Beach County, Florida

SAND TRANSFER FACILITIES AT LAKE WORTH INLET,
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners, Palm Beach County, Florida, at the Clerk's Office, up to and opened at 11:00 o'clock A.M., E.S.T. April 2, 1956, for construction of the following project:

SAND TRANSFER FACILITIES AT
LAKE WORTH INLET
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Drawings and Specifications may be obtained by qualified contractors at the office of the County Engineer, 810 Datura Street, West Palm Beach, Florida or at the offices of Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton, Consulting Engineers, 62 West 47th Street, New York, New York, upon payment of $25.00 for each set; said payment will be refunded to those contractors who submit bids and who return the set in good condition to place of purchase within five days after date for receipt of bids.

The work includes the following principal features:

(1) Pumping station consisting of a permanent type dredge pump installation in a reinforced concrete building designed to withstand storm conditions and to harmonize with the surrounding area.

(2) Two submarine pipe lines across Lake Worth Inlet to carry dredged material to depleted area south of the Inlet.

(3) Flushing equipment to prevent plugging or stoppage in submarine lines.

(4) A groin of concrete capped steel sheet piles to delineate the limits of the pumping area and to protect the public.

A Proposal Guaranty in the amount of 5 per cent of the gross bid will be required as a guarantee that the bidder, if awarded the contract, will within 10 consecutive calendar days after written notice is given of such award, enter into a written contract with the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with the accepted bid, and give a Contract Surety Bond satisfactory to the Board of County Commissioners equal to 100 per cent of the Contract price.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 40 days after the date set for opening bids.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners.

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
PAUL RARDIN, Chairman
STEPHEN R. MIDDLETON,
County Engineer

Bids: April 17, 1956

Contract PN-300.004

ADVERTISEMENT
THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
PORT NEWARK
BUILDINGS NOS. 178, 179, 180, 181, 182
AND WHARF

Sealed proposals for the construction of Buildings Nos. 178, 179, 180, 181, 182 and wharf at Port Newark will be received at the office of the Chief Engineer of The Port of New York Authority, Room 1100, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y., until 2:30 P. M. on Tuesday, April 17, 1956, at which time said proposals will be opened and read in Room 1108.

Contract documents may be seen at the office of the Engineer of Design of the Authority, Room 1112. Documents will be furnished upon deposit of $100.00 per set for not more than three sets to any one company (each set including one copy of the contract drawings). Additional sets will be furnished upon payment of $100.00 per set, which payment is not returnable. Deposits and payments shall be delivered to the Treasury Department, Room 1001, where a receipt in duplicate will be issued. A copy of the receipt shall be delivered to Room 1112, where the documents will be furnished.

Those who have submitted a bid on the contract will receive a refund of the deposit for each set of documents, not exceeding three, returned within forty days after the opening of proposals. Those who have not submitted a bid will receive a refund of one-half of the deposit for each set of documents, not exceeding three, returned within forty days after the opening of proposals.

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
Donald V. Lowe, Chairman

New York, March 15, 1956

Bids: March 27, 1956

Contract NA-380.001

ADVERTISEMENT
THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
NEWARK AIRPORT
HANGAR NO. 14—SURCHARGE FILL

Sealed proposals for the installation of surcharge fill for Hangar No. 14 at Newark Airport will be received at the office of the Chief Engineer of The Port of New York Authority, Room 1100, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y., until 2:30 P. M. on Tuesday, March 27, 1956, at which time said proposals will be opened and read in Room 1108.

Contract documents may be seen at the office of the Engineer of Design of the Authority, Room 1112. Documents will be furnished upon deposit of $30.00 per set for not more than three sets to any one company (each set including one copy of the contract drawings). Additional sets will be furnished upon payment of $30.00 per set, which payment is not returnable. Deposits and payments shall be delivered to the Treasury Department, Room 1001, where a receipt in duplicate will be issued. A copy of the receipt shall be delivered to Room 1112, where the documents will be furnished.

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THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
Donald V. Lowe, Chairman

New York, March 15, 1956

Bids: March 27, 1956

Proposal No. 770

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
JULIETTE STREET PLAYGROUND
BAYONNE, NEW JERSEY

Sealed proposals for the construction of Juliette Street Playground, Bayonne, New Jersey, will be received at the office of the Director of Purchase and Administrative Services of The Port of New York Authority, Room 900, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York 11, until 11 A.M., Tuesday, March 27, 1956, at which time and place proposals will be opened and read.

Contract documents may be obtained upon request at the office of the Director of Purchase and Administrative Services.

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
Donald V. Lowe, Chairman

U. S. Government

IRAQ GOVERNMENT — DEVELOPMENT BOARD DOKAN DAM—CONTRACT No. 1. Sub-Contract for Electrical & Mechanical Equipment. 1. Acting on behalf of the Development Board of the Government of Iraq, Tenders are invited by Group Dumez-Ballot of Baghdad for a Sub-Contract for the Supply and Installation at Dokan Dam, on the Lesser Zab River, Iraq, of electrical and mechanical equipment including the following: a) Diesel-electric generating plant of approximately 1350 Kilowatts capacity. b) 6.6 Kilovolt ring main distribution system approximately 3700 metres in length, complete with sub-station equipment. c) Electrically operated lift installation. d) Street and dam crest lighting installation. e) Miscellaneous cable and minor electrical and mechanical installations. 2. The successful tenderer will be required to enter into a contract with the Main Contractors at an early date, rapid delivery of the equipment being essential. 3. Sub-Contract Documents including the Contract Documents for the Main Civil Engineering Contract and drawings may be inspected at any of the following places, namely:—a/—The Offices of the Development Board, Baghdad. b/—The Iraqi Embassy, London. c/—The Iraqi Embassy, Washington. d/—The Royal Iraqi Legation, Paris. e/—The Royal Iraqi Legation, Brussels. f/—The Royal Iraqi Legation, Rome. g/—The Head Office of Messrs. Binnie, Deacon & Gourley, (Consulting Engineers) Artillery House, Artillery Row, London, S.W.1. h/—The Head Office of Societe Dumez, 33, rue Henri Rochefort, Paris, 17e, France. 4. Firms desiring to tender may obtain copies of the Sub-Contract Documents and Drawings together with the relative sections of the Contract Documents for the main civil engineering works from Societe Dumez of Paris upon payment of 20,000 Francs. 5. Tenders must be written in English and six copies must be submitted to Group Dumez-Ballot, Baghdad, c/o Societe Dumez in Paris, and will be received up to noon 15th June 1956. A further two copies are to be posted to Messrs. Binnie Deacon & Gourley's London office, to reach them the day following. 6. Tenders must be accompanied by full particulars of the tenderer's facilities for undertaking the work and experience of executing work of a similar character and magnitude. Group Dumez-Ballot, Baghdad, c/o Societe Dumez, 33, rue Henri Rochefort, Paris, 17e.—France.

Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, March 1, 1956. SEALED BIDS will be received at the office of the Bureau of Public Roads, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, until 1:30 p.m., E.S.T., MARCH 30, 1956, for Project 2Y7, Blue Ridge Parkway, Jackson County, North Carolina. Construction of Tunnel Linings, Tunnel Extensions, Stone Masonry Portals, and other work. Length: 0.171 mile. The approximate quantities of the more important items are as follows: 350 lin. ft. Concrete Tunnel Lining, 2,305 cu. yd. additional Concrete for Lining over Timber Tunnel Inner Lining, Extensions and Portals, 160,000 Lb. Reinforcing Steel and 570 cu. yd. Stone Masonry. Minimum wage rates have been fixed as required by law. Plans, specifications and proposal forms are available upon request at the office of the Division Engineer, 1440 Columbia Pike, Arlington, Virginia, or at the address given above. H. J. Spelman, Division Engineer.

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: April 10, 1956

Arlington County, Virginia

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
FURNISHING AND ERECTING
ELEVATED STEEL WATER STORAGE
TANK, 500,000 GALLON CAPACITY

Sealed proposals for furnishing all material and equipment and doing all work required for the furnishing and erecting of an elevated steel water storage tank, as described below, will be received by the Purchasing Agent in Room 213, in the Court House Building at Arlington County, Virginia, until 11:00 A.M., Eastern Standard Time, on April 10, 1956, and there publicly opened and read immediately thereafter:

CONTRACT 5.

FURNISHING AND ERECTING ELEVATED STEEL WATER STORAGE TANK
500,000 GALLON CAPACITY

1. Location: The work in located in Arlington County, Virginia, on County owner property at N. Wakefield Street and 24th Steeet N.

2. Type of work: The principal items of work include the following:—

Furnishing and erecting a 500,000 gallon elevated steel water storage tank complete with all accessories, including obstruction lighting and cathodic protection.

3. Copies of Plans and Specifications, Information for Bidders, Bid Forms and other bidding and contract documents may be examined at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Water Division, County Court House, Arlington, Va.; at Dodge Reports, 900 F. Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. and at the office of ALEXANDER POTTER ASSOCIATES, CONSULTING ENGINEERS, 50 CHURCH ST., NEW YORK (7), N. Y.

4. Copies of Plans, Specifications and Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Purchasing Agent in Room 213, Court House Building at Arlington, Virginia upon deposit of TEN ($10.00) DOLLARS PER SET.

Full refund will be made to actual bidders for return of One (1) Set, in good condition, within two weeks after closing date for receipt of bids; refund for return of all other sets, in good condition, WITHIN THE SAME PERIOD, will be Fifty (50%) percent of the deposit. No refund will be made for return of documents in poor condition or later than the two week period stipulated.

All bids must be on the form contained in the Contract and Specifications.

Contractors, whether resident or non-resident in Virginia will be required to show evidence of a certificate of registration as required by Chapter 7 of Title 54 of the Code of Virginia before their bids will be considered, if the bid is $20,000 or more.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable bidder's bond in an amount of not less than Five Per Cent (5%) of the amount of the bid, made payable to the Treasurer of Arlington County, as bid security.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Contract and upon payment of all persons supplying labor and furnishing materials on the construction of the work.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within Thirty (30) days after actual date of opening thereof.

The County Board of Arlington County, Virginia, reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in the bids.

ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA
By: H. G. Bonney
Purchasing Agent

Bids: April 11, 1956

Knoxville Housing Authority

INVITATION FOR BIDS

The KNOXVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY, INC. will receive Bids for the VINE AVENUE BRIDGE, until 2:00 P. M., Eastern Standard Time on the 11th day of April, 1956, at 1701 Jouroimon Avenue, Knoxville 17, Tennessee at which time and place all Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids are invited upon the several items and quantities of work as follows:

ITEM	
Structural excavation (earth)	800 cu. yds.
Structural excavation (rock)	60 cu. yds.
Class B structural concrete in base slabs of abutments complete in place as specified	130 cu. yds.
Class B structural concrete in abutment walls complete in place as specified	90 cu. yds.
Class B structural concrete in bridge deck, sidewalk and concrete portion of handrail complete in place as specified	50 cu. yds.
Concrete reinforcing steel complete in place as specified	31,500 pounds
Structural steel complete in place as specified	45,000 pounds
Pipe handrail complete in place as specified	74 lin. ft.

Contract Documents, Drawings and Technical Specifications are on file at the office of KNOXVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY, INC. at 1701 Jouroimon Avenue, Knoxville 17, Tennessee; at the office of A. E. Bost, Consulting Engineer at 408 West Clinch Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee; and at the Knoxville Builders Exchange, 932 Central Avenue, N., Knoxville, Tennessee.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing $100.00 with the KNOXVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY, INC. for each set of documents so obtained. Each such deposit will be refunded if the Drawings and Contract Documents are returned in good condition within 10 days after date of Bid opening.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the KNOXVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY, INC., negotiable U. S. Government Bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total of Bid for VINE AVENUE BRIDGE shall be submitted with each Bid.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project.

The KNOXVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY, INC. reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the KNOXVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY, INC. for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

KNOXVILLE HOUSING
AUTHORITY, INC.
By R. Rex Wallace
Title Executive Director

Date March 1, 1956

Prequalification Date: March 23, 1956

Board of Education
Bureau of Construction

Notice Re Prequalification Forms for Contractors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Director of the Bureau of Construction, 4th Floor, 42-15 Crescent Street, Long Island City 1, New York, will receive applications for prequalification of bidders, from contractors who may wish to submit bids for the proposed hereinafter specified contracts, as follows:

For general construction, plumbing and drainage, heating and ventilating, electrical work and lighting fixtures for a new Junior H.S. 117, Manhattan, East 109th St., and 2nd Avenue, and new P.S. 175, Manhattan, West 135th St. and 7th Avenue.

Prequalification application forms will have to be secured from and must be submitted to the Director, Bureau of Construction Office, 4th Floor, Room 407, 42-15 Crescent Street, Long Island City, New York.

Bids when advertised will be received from prequalified bidders only.

The time for submitting prequalification application forms for the above contracts will expire on Friday, March 23, 1956.

WILLIAM H. CORREALE
Director
Dated: March 6, 1956.

Bids: April 3, 1956
April 6, 1956

City of Chicago

BIDS ARE INVITED FOR CALUMET SKYWAY TOLL BRIDGE PROJECT

The first bids will be received by the City of Chicago on April 3, 1956 for parts of the $88,000,000.00 project which will consist of approximately 43 separate contracts and sections embracing such work as a bridge, substructures, retaining walls, structural steel superstructures, concrete decks and bituminous surfacing, sewers and pumping station, and roadway lighting for the toll road project starting at the Illinois-Indiana state line running approximately seven miles to the vicinity of 63rd Street and South State Street in the City of Chicago.

On April 3, 1956, bids will be received for Design Section 7-D-1 for furnishing and fabricating approximately 15,400,000 pounds of structural steel; Design Section 7-D-2 for erecting approximately 15,400,000 pounds of fabricated structural steel; and Design 7-D-3 for complete decks and bituminous surfacing involving approximately 4,200 gallons of bituminous material, 4,200 tons of bituminous concrete material, 12,200 cubic yards of concrete, 2,470,000 pounds reinforcing steel, 12,100 feet of metal handrail, 600 feet of wrought iron pipe and other miscellaneous items.

On April 6, 1956 bids will be received on Design Section 7-E-1 for furnishing and fabricating steel for superstructures, Design Section 7-E-2 for the erection of steel superstructures and Design Section 7-E-3 for complete decks and bituminous surfacing of construction similar to Section 7D.

Complete specifications, contract documents and bidding forms may be received after depositing seventy-five dollars ($75.00) for each set in cash or certified check made payable to the City of Chicago, when forwarded to the Department of Purchases, Contracts and Supplies, Room 400, City Hall, Chicago 2, Illinois. Plans and specifications will be shipped by express and to expedite receipt of documents it is suggested that your Chicago representative pick up documents at the City Hall.

All bidders who are interested in the above work are requested to file a request to be put on notice when the various projects are released for bidding. The City will then mail to all interested parties a copy of the legal advertisement which gives brief description of the work involved and bid-deposits required.

Direct all correspondence and inquiries to John F. Ward, Purchasing Agent, Department of Purchases, Contracts and Supplies, Room 400 City Hall, Chicago 2, Illinois.

John F. Ward
Purchasing Agent
City of Chicago

Bids: April 10, 1956

Contract NA-340.002

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Sealed proposals for construction of a taxiway, hardstand and aircraft parking areas and the furnishing and installation of utilities therefor at Newark Airport will be received at the office of the Chief Engineer of The Port of New York Authority, Room 1100, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y., until 2:30 P.M. on Tuesday, April 10, 1956, at which time said proposals will be opened and read in Room 1108.

Contract documents may be seen at the office of the Engineer of Design of the Authority, Room 1112. Documents will be furnished upon deposit of $30.00 per set for not more than three sets to any one company (each set including one copy of the contract drawings). Additional sets will be furnished upon payment of $30.00 per set, which payment is not returnable. Deposits and payments shall be delivered to the Treasury Department, Room 1001, where a receipt in duplicate will be issued. A copy of the receipt shall be delivered to Room 1112, where the documents will be furnished.

Those who have submitted a bid on the contract will receive a refund of the deposit for each set of documents, not exceeding three, returned within forty days after the opening of proposals. Those who have not submitted a bid will receive a refund of one-half of the deposit for each set of documents, not exceeding three, returned within forty days after the opening of proposals.

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
Donald V. Lowe, Chairman

New York, March 15, 1956

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GOVERNMENT OF IRAQ DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT, BAGHDAD. ELECTRIFICATION OF NORTHERN AND CENTRAL IRAQ. SUBSTATION EQUIPMENT. CONTRACT No. 3. POWER TRANSFORMERS AND ACCESSORIES. The Development Board and Ministry of Development of the Government of Iraq invite Tenders from qualified firms for the supply and delivery, erection and supervision of operation of 34 Power Transformers ranging from 150 kVA to 25 MVA for the Substations of Dibis, Erbil, Mosul, Hammam al Alil, Kirkuk, Sulaimaniyah, Sarchinar in Northern Iraq and Baghdad in Central Iraq. Civil Engineering work is excluded. Tender Documents may be inspected on and after March 19th, 1956, until April 30th, 1956, at the following addresses:— (1) Directorate General of Legal Affairs and Contracts, Ministry of Development, Development Board, Baghdad. (2) Embassies of Iraq, in Washington, London and Paris. (3) Royal Legations of Iraq in Bonn, Brussels and Rome. (4) Honorary Consulate of Iraq in Stockholm, and Egyptian Legations in Bern and The Hague. (5) On appointment, at the Office of the Consulting Engineers, Messrs. Traction et Electricite-Electrobel, 1, Place du Trone, Brussels. Firms desiring to tender may obtain four copies of the documents each copy consisting of three volumes, on and after the March 19th 1956 until April 30th 1956, from either the Directorate General of Legal Affairs and Contracts at the Development Board Offices, Baghdad, Iraq, or Messrs. Traction et Electricite-Electrobel, 1, Place du Trone, Brussels, Belgium, or the above-mentioned Embassies and Legations on payment of twenty Iraqi Dinars, or the equivalent. This sum will not be returned to the tenderers. All tender documents are to be submitted in English, and they must be accompanied by a deposit of ID. 10,000 (Ten Thousand Iraqi Dinars), which must be paid in cash to the Directorate General of Accounts of the Ministry of Development, and the receipt issued for such payment must be attached to the Tender Documents. Such cash deposit may be replaced by a letter of guarantee from or through an approved bank in Iraq. Tenders must be submitted in a sealed envelope endorsed clearly on the outside "Northern and Central Iraq Electrical Systems-Substation Equipment-Power Transformers and Accessories". They must be delivered to the Ministry of Development on or before 12 noon local time on the May 28th, 1956. If sent by post the tenders shall be registered, but tenderers must assure themselves of delivery to the Board in due time. A letter of capacity, method of procedure, articles of association, are to be submitted with the tender at the same time. Tenders not submitted within the time specified or not accompanied by a receipt of the deposit or a letter of guarantee will not be taken into consideration. The attention of the tenderers is drawn to the fact that early completion of the project is desired, and therefore an early completion date will be considered an important factor in the selection of the successful tenderer. The Development Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. Minister of Development.

United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, March 15, 1956. SEALED BIDS will be received at the office of the Inter-American Highway Office, Bureau of Public Roads, Room 4009, General Services Building, Washington 25, D. C., until 2:00 p.m., e.s.t., April 12, 1956, for construction of Rama Road Project R-3A (Revised) in the Republic of Nicaragua. The project begins at Muhan about 23 miles east of Santo Tomas and extends easterly toward Rama for approximately 15 miles. Bidders will be limited to United States or Nicaragua firms with a satisfactory record of performance on highway construction in the United States of America or in the Republic of Nicaragua. The approximate quantities of the major items of work are: 57 Hectares Clearing and Grubbing 707,000 cubic meters Unclassified Excavation, 50,000 cubic meters Selected Borrow Base, 660 cubic yards Class "A" Concrete, 80,000 lbs. Reinforcing Steel, and 8,000 linear feet Nestable Bituminous Coated Corrugated Metal Culvert Pipe (from 24" to 72"). Special conditions of work performed by U. S. Government in foreign areas apply as well as local laws. Plans, Specifications and Proposal Forms are available upon request at the address given above, or at the Inter-American Highway District Office, Bureau of Public Roads, 516 Avenida Roosevelt, Managua, Nicaragua. C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner.

U. S. Government

Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, March 5, 1956. SEALED BIDS will be received at the office of the Bureau of Public Roads, First National Bank Building, Florence, Alabama, until 10:00 a.m. C.S.T., MARCH 30, 1956, for the construction of Project 3E1, Part B, Natchez Trace Parkway, Chickasaw County, Mississippi, 6.121 miles Grading, Draining, Structures, Gravel Base Course, and other work from about 1.3 miles south of Mississippi Highway 41 to Mississippi Highway 32. The approximate quantities of the more important items are as follows: 426,500 cu. yd. Excavation and Borrow, 28,000 cu. yd. Gravel, 1,700 cu. yd. Concrete, and 3,500 units of Seeding. Minimum wage rates have been fixed as required by law. Plans, Specifications and Proposal Forms are available upon request at the address given above, or Bureau of Public Roads, 1440 Columbia Pike, Arlington, Virginia. H. J. Spelman, Division Engineer.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-4656) will be received at Ephrata, Washington, until April 24, 1956, for furnishing labor and materials for Earthwork and Structures, Evergreen Pumping Plant Intake Channel and Discharge Lines, Lateral W44 and Dike W44, Block 77, West Canal Laterals, Columbia Basin Project, Washington. Location near Quincy, Washington. Principal items are 154,000 cu. yds. excavation; 16,000 cu. yds. rockfill on dike; 400 cu. yds. concrete in structures; 18,400 lin. ft. concrete pipe; two steel surge tanks; and other work. Completion time 320 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Box 368, Ephrata, Washington; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 2, Colorado. W. A. Dexheimer, Commissioner.

U. S. Government

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-4650) will be received at Weaverville, California, until April 4, 1956, for furnishing labor and materials for Trinity Dam Diversion Tunnel, Central Valley Project, California. Location near Lewiston, California. Principal items are 83,000 cu. yds. excavation, common; 37,000 cu. yds. excavation, rock; 80,000 cu. yds. excavation, all classes in tunnel; 1,000,000 pounds furnishing and placing permanent structural steel tunnel supports; 2,000 lin. ft. furnishing and installing tunnel roof support bolts; and other work. Completion time 300 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Box 2511, Sacramento, California; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 2, Colorado. W. A. Dexheimer, Commissioner.

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Engineers experienced in design and supervision of construction to work as resident engineers or prepare plans for water and sewer systems. State experience, age, salary required, when can report, and give references. Reply P-9290, Engineering News-Record.

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Wanted: Engineer with at least five years' experience in sewage water line construction, with some supervisors background. Opportunity for permanent connection with long established contracting firm. Please state qualifications, references, experience and salary wanted. Write to La Fera Contracting Co., 149 Verona Avenue, Newark 4, New Jersey, or phone HUmboldt 3-8341 between 10 A.M. and Noon.

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Wanted Experienced Foreman for water and sewer contractor. Write experience, etc. or wire to S & S Construction Company, South Fallsburg, New York.

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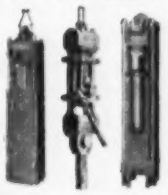

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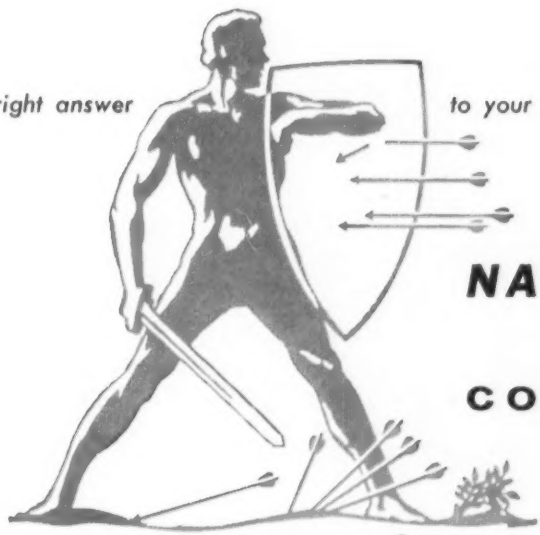

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Reclamation Back in Business

THE END OF THE SLUMP FOR RECLAMATION ACTIVITIES was foretold in our March 1 issue in an analytical report by Vincent B. Smith of our Washington staff. Support for the prophecy came quickly, and in the March 8 issue we were able to report House action that will mean an early start of work totaling $756 million on the Upper Colorado River Project. Thus the Bureau of Reclamation is back in business after a deep postwar dip. Here is good news for construction, and good news for the nation as a whole.

But, as pointed out in Mr. Smith's article, the basic question of how far the bureau will go in its recovery from some pretty lean years will not be answered by big jobs alone. With four units of the Upper Colorado scheme now virtually assured, it remains to be seen what more Congress will do toward giving this federal agency the balanced program of large and lesser projects that it is capable of engineering. There was some $105 million worth of appropriations requested in the President's budget message for seven projects other than the big ones. Thus, several questions are posed: How far and how fast will be the bureau's comeback from its present rate of spending for construction of about $130 million per year? Will the Administration, as reported, impose a $200-million ceiling on annual appropriations? Or will the reclamationists see their $250-million ideal realized as a sustained average rate of spending?

The future, of course, holds the precise answers to these questions. But it is heartening to see apparent accord between the Republican Administration and the Democratic Congress on what is surely the basic issue here: That the water resources of the nation must be conserved. For just as surely as our agricultural and industrial future depend on full and prudent use of water, such use depends on a national water policy accepted by both parties. The report of the Presidential Advisory Committee on Water Resources Policy has been sent by the President to Congress (ENR Jan. 26, p. 21) with a request for prompt attention to its proposals.

One proposal was that no project be appropriated by Congress until it had the benefit of the report of a special board of review to be set up in the office of the President. Another was that there be more local participation in the cost of projects. Both these proposals are significant as they apply to most of the irrigation projects that would provide work in the future years for the Bureau of Reclamation because the cost per acre for drawing water to most of these projects is high. It is also true that a majority of the future projects must rely on revenue from generated hydro power to make them feasible from a cost standpoint.

If Congress is to be asked to put up money for such projects it should have full knowledge of the power potential, of the size of any subsidy involved and of the extent to which people of the regions, who are to benefit, are willing to share in their cost.

Construction and U. S. Leadership

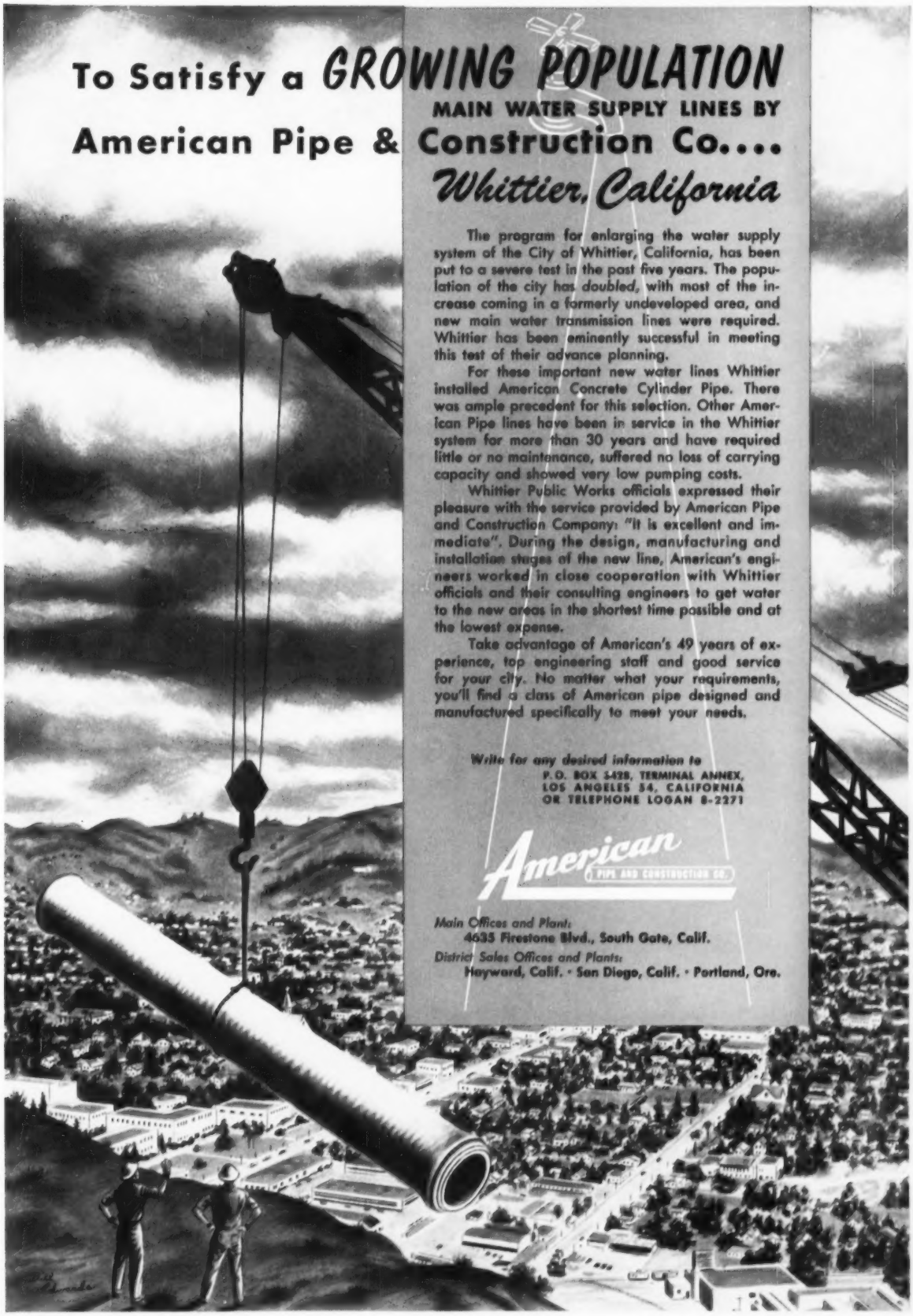
IN HIS ADDRESS BEFORE THE ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Associated General Contractors in New York, Lt. Gen. Samuel D. Sturgis, the Army's Chief of Engineers, made some thought-provoking remarks on the construction industry's present and potential influence on the nation's world position. Both praise and criticism were included.

General Sturgis pointed out that while the Russians were gaining and, in some instances, overtaking us in the technology of industrial production, he had little doubt that either the Russians or anyone else could begin to match this country in the field of construction. He attributed this outstanding superiority to competition, and the speed and efficiency that it fosters. And he cited with proper pride the fact that both the Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Yards and Docks award over three-quarters of their construction work on competitive bids, whereas other Department of Defense "military hardware" procurement agencies award less than 6% of their contracts on the basis of competitive bidding.

But the Chief of Engineers was also critical of construction—or at least of a situation involving construction men. In this he deplored the conspicuous scarcity in the high echelons of the Department of Defense of men with a construction background. Such men are needed, the general held, to prevent fragmentation of engineering and construction agencies and to introduce practical construction considerations into foreign treaties. Such men would also be useful in adjusting the unduly high priorities now accorded materials used in military hardware which are also required for the construction which must support such weapons.

He plead for construction men—both engineers and contractors—to join the bankers, lawyers and production men now dominant in the Defense secretariat.

Both the points made by General Sturgis are worthy of careful thought. If competition is the seed from which U. S. construction's superiority blossoms, it should be nurtured at every opportunity. If construction men in high Defense Department positions will enhance our position of military superiority, more such men should be asked to serve. Indeed, this call might well be broadened to include an even wider range of top governmental positions only remotely connected with construction. Also, in anticipation, construction leaders should indicate their willingness to serve. For, as one of the nation's great industries, construction has both a responsibility to keep itself strong and to use whatever assets it has to keep the nation strong.



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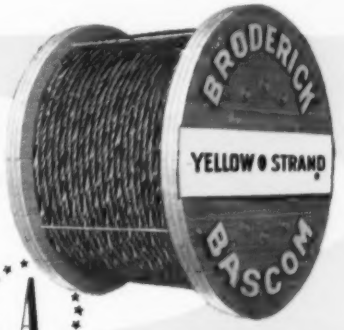

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